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CONSIGNEES of CARGO per s.s. "CLAN SINCLAIR," ARRIVED from Glasgow and Liverpool, are hereby requested to present their BILLS of LADING for our countersignature, and to TAKE DELIVERY of their respective GOODS from the Prince's Dock.

The Steamer's Surveyor, Captain MACAULAY, will attend every morning to survey damages, &c., and all claims in this respect must be adjusted before the Goods are removed from the landing sheds.

After removal from the landing sheds the steamer will not be RESPONSIBLE for any damage whatever.

All CLAIMS must be presented for settlement within a FORTNIGHT of the steamer's arrival, otherwise they will not be ENTERTAINED.

FINLAY, MUIR & Co.,
Agents.

Bombay, 10th Sept., 1888.

S.S. MERTON HALL, ARRIVED 11TH SEPT., 1888.

CONSIGNEES are requested TO TAKE DELIVERY of their CARGO from the PRINCE'S DOCK. Chafed or Broken Packages must be surveyed before removal from the Landing Shed. The Undersigned declines to survey Goods removed to the Unclaimed Warehouse.

Lifts exceeding 30 cwts. will be delivered into Consignees' Boats, and, if not alongside in time, will be landed or placed in Boats at Steamer's option at their risk and expense.

Captain Macaulay will attend every morning to survey damages, &c., and all claims must be certified to by him and sent in WITHIN A MONTH of steamer's arrival, or they will not be paid.

EDWARD BATES & Co.,
Agents.

Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, 11th Sept, 1888.

THE CASH BAZAAR, Limited.
(IN VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION.)
TO THE HOLDERS OF THE DEBENTURES OF THE ABOVE COMPANY.

TAKE NOTICE, that on and after the 20th day of September, 1888, the Undersigned will make and pay at their Office, No 2, Old English Hotel Lane, Apollo Road, within the Fort of Bombay, to the respective holders upon surrender for cancellation of their Debentures secured by the Deed of Assignment in trust of the 23rd December, 1885, from the above Company to the Undersigned, and of all the unpaid Coupons thereof, a second and final distribution (inclusive of the Interest Coupon payable on the 20th day of June, 1888) of the sum of Rs. 5-8 per each Debenture.—Dated this 10th day of September, 1888.

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For the cure of Cough, Cold, Bronchitis, Whooping Cough, and other diseases of the Lungs and Chest.
Per Bottle, As. 8 and Re. 1.

A mild and safe combination of Purely Vegetable Drugs, possessing Expectorant, Demulcent, and Balsamic properties. As this Preparation is entirely free from Opium and other injurious and objectionable drugs, it may be given, without any danger, even to children. It NEVER fails to cure the most obstinate forms of Cough, Cold, Whooping Cough, &c., in a few doses. In ordinary Cold, when attended with Feverishness and Headache, the Medicine acts as a charm, giving speedy relief when properly administered, and the directions given with each Bottle are attended to.

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IMPORTANT NEW TESTIMONY.

Mr. H. W. Moore writes to us thus concerning this great specific:—

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Please send by V. P. Post, as soon as possible, one Bottle of Pulmonic Balm. I take this opportunity of thanking you for the last bottle you sent me, which did my child a great deal of good.

Yours faithfully,
H. W. MOORE.

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A prompt, mild, and certain remedy for this distressing disease. It gives immediate relief in a few minutes, drives away pain, clears the chest of phlegm, and relieves the sufferer from all irritation.

THE following unsolicited Testimonials have lately been received:—

179, Mount Road, Madras,
2nd June, 1887.

GENTLEMEN,—I take the opportunity to tell and thank you that your "Magic Curé" for Asthma has prefectly cured me of the complaint, and I have recommended the medicine to many here, of which you might be aware from the orders you got from Madras.

Yours faithfully,
EDWIN DE COSTA.

Cheerful Cottage, Ootacamund,
July 28, 1887.

GENTLEMEN,—May I request you to favour me by sending me 1 large and 3 small Bottles of your "Magic Curé for Asthma," as you did the last. I have recommended your Specific as being a radical cure to long sufferers from the disease for which it is intended, to my friends here and in Madras, and I have no doubt that there will be a demand for the same shortly.

Yours faithfully,
P. M. CABRAL.

Toondla, April 28, 1888.

GENTLEMEN,—Please send to the undermentioned address, by V. P. Post, two Bottles of your "MAGIC CURE FOR ASTHMA." I sent for one bottle of the medicine from you last year about April or May, which did me a great deal of good. Please send it as soon as possible.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

DELHI & NORTHERN INDIA FLOUR MILLS Co., Limited.

NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the shareholders of the Delhi and Northern India Flour Mills Company (Limited), will be held at the Company's Registered Office, No. 39, Elphinstone Circle, on SATURDAY, the 22nd September, 1888, at 3 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of transacting the following business:—

1. To adopt the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts, made up to 30th June, 1888.
2. To Declare a dividend.
3. To elect a Director, who retire by rotation, but is eligible for re-election.
4. To appoint Auditors for the ensuing year and to fix their remuneration.
5. To transact any other business which the Chairman may bring before the meeting.

By order of the Board of Directors,
LANG, MOIR & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

Bombay, 11th Sept, 1888.

DELHI AND NORTHERN INDIA FLOUR MILLS Co., Limited.

NOTICE—The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 7th to 29th September, 1888, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
LANG, MOIR & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

Bombay, 11th Sept., 1888.

KURRACHEE LIGHTERAGE COMPANY, Limited.

NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance with a resolution passed at the EXTRAORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders of the above Company, held on the 4th September, 1888, a DIVIDEND at the rate of Rs. 6 per Share, will be paid to Shareholders, standing on the Company's register on that date, at the Office of Messrs. SUNDARROW RAGHUNATH & Co., 34, Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, on and after the 14th September, on presentation of Share Certificates.

By order,
A. McHINCH & Co.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

McLeod Road, Kurrachee, 8th Sept. 1888.

THE CYCLOSTYLE.
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A FEW PIANOFORTES taken in exchange and put into thorough repair are now offered for sale.

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5	Plain Square	" Maud	" 250
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COQUETAS, per 1,000,	Rs. 30	; per 100	Rs. 3-8		
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NOTICES.

NOTICE.

THE dates of the KARACHI AUTUMN SKY MEETING will be 16th and 18th October, instead of as previously notified.

D. C. W. HARRISON, Captain,
Hony. Secretary.

Karachi, 5th Sept., 1888.

THE BRITANNIA MILLS, Limited.

NOTICE is hereby given that the FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the shareholders of the above Company will be held at its Registered Office, No. 7, Church Gate Street, at 2 o'clock p.m., on WEDNESDAY, the 12th September, 1888, to transact the following business:—

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report.
2. To elect Directors in place of those now in office in terms of Clause 83 of the Articles of Association.
3. To elect Auditors and to fix their remuneration, and to transact such other business as the Chairman may lay before the meeting.

By order of the Board of Directors,
K. M. HEERAMANECK & Co.,
Secretaries, Treasurers, and Agents.

Bombay, 30th August, 1888.

THE STAR OF INDIA MILLS, Limited.

NOTICE is hereby given that the SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the shareholders of the above Company will be held at its Registered Office, No. 7, Church Gate Street, at 2-30 p.m., on WEDNESDAY, the 12th September, 1888, to transact the following business:—

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and the Audited Accounts of the Company made up to 30th June, 1888.
2. To elect Directors in place of those who retire in terms of clause 92 of the Articles of Association.
3. To elect auditors and to fix their remuneration, and to transact such other business as the Chairman may lay before the meeting.

By order of the Board of Directors,
K. M. HEERAMANECK & Co.,
Secretaries, Treasurers, and Agents.

Bombay, 30th August, 1888.

N.B.—The TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 20th to 27th September, 1888, both days inclusive.

BHAVNAGAR-GONDAL RAILWAY.

SEALED TENDERS will be received for the supply of 6,000 (six thousand) tons best CARDIFF fresh screened LOCOMOTIVE COAL and 600 (six hundred) tons best screened DAVISONS WEST HARTLEY COAL, to the Bhavnagar-Gondal Railway, by the Port Storekeeper, State Railway Department, Bombay, and will be opened by him in the presence of such of the Tenderers as may choose to attend at 12 o'clock (noon), on WEDNESDAY, 12th September, 1888, at his office, 19, Apollo Street, Fort.

No Tender will be considered unless submitted in the prescribed form and accompanied with the necessary earnest deposit in currency notes or Government securities.

The tenders will be submitted to the Manager of the Bhavnagar-Gondal Railway, and his decision will be communicated as soon as possible, probably on the 19th September, 1888.

The Manager reserves the right of rejecting any or all the tenders.

For full particulars and forms of tender apply at the office of the Port Storekeeper State Railway Department, 19, Apollo Street, Fort.

J. B. SPARKS, Lt.-Col.,
Port Storekeeper.

NOTICE.
SALE OF HIRDAS.

TENDERS are invited for the purchase of the Myrobalan or Hirda collection of the forests for 1888-89. The estimated quantity for the season is as follows:—

BELGAUM COLLECTORATE.

Khanapur Taluka	4,000
Belgaum do.	2,500
To'al..	6,500 Khandis of 560 lbs. each

KANARA COLLECTORATE.

N. D. of Kanara	2,100
S. D. of Kanara	2,100
C. D. of Kanara	300
Total...	4,500 Khandis.

Tenders to be written in *English* should reach the undersigned by the 10th October, 1888, at latest.

For further particulars apply to the undersigned.

J. L. L. MACGREGOR,
Conservator of Forests, S.C.

Conservator's Office, S.C., Belgaum, 1st Sept., 1888.

HYDERABAD POLO TOURNAMENT, 1888.
STEWARDS.

COL. CURTEIS	CAPT. HONE
COL. MARSHALL	CAPT. QUISE
MAJOR NAWAB AFSUR JUNG	LIEUT. GEORGES

COLONEL FITZGERALD, Hony. Secy.

THIS TOURNAMENT will be held at Secunderabad, to commence some time before the Hyderabad Races in November, 1888. The exact date will be fixed as soon as possible, and each Team will be duly informed.

The Tournament is open to any Polo Club, Regiment, Gymkhana, Station or District in India; in the two latter cases the Team or Teams to be composed of *bona fide* residents of the Station or District they represent.

Any two Regiments of Native Cavalry or Infantry may also combine to send a Team.

No restriction as to the number of Teams entered by any Polo Club, Regiment &c.

Entrances to be made to the Undersigned *not* later than 1st October, 1888, but earlier intimation if possible is much desired.

Entrance fee Rs. 10 per man of each Competing Team.

Each Team will consist of 4 players.

The Winning Team to receive a Cup of not less value than H. H. Rs. 1,000 presented by H. H. the Nizam. The Cup to become the property of the winning Team. To this will be added a souvenir to each Memb r of the winning Team in the shape of a Cup, to be paid out of the entrance fees per man of the Competing Teams.

Arrangement can be made with the several Railways for a concession in bringing Ponies and Players to and from Secunderabad.

The Stewards of the Hyderabad Polo Tournament will make arrangements for the Accommodation of the Teams, and for the stabling of their Ponies.

C. J. O. FITZGERALD,
3rd H. C. Cavalry,
Honorary Secretary.

All communications to be addressed:—
The Honorary Secretary,
Hyderabad Polo Tournament,
3rd H. C. Cavalry, Bolarum.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.
SUIT No. 138 OF 1881.

NANABHAI GUNPATRAO DHAIRYAVAN and BALAJI GANPATRAO DHAIRYAVAN, both of Bombay, Hindu inhabitants, residing in Kaudavady, outside the Fort.....Plaintiffs.

VERSUS

ACHRATBAI, widow of SHA PRANJIWAN RANCHORDAS and NARANDAS NATHOOBHAI, both of Bombay, Hindu inhabitants, residing on Kalbadevi Road, and GUNPATRAO PANDURANG, of Bombay, Hindu inhabitant, residing in Vitalwady, and GUJANAN GOVIND and MORESHWAR GOVIND, infant sons of the deceased, GOVIND PANDURUNG, by their guardian *ad.item*, Mr. L. A. WATKINS, of Bombay, European inhabitant, residing at Marine Lines, outside the Fort, and PURSHOTUM NURROTUM, also of Bombay, Hindu inhabitant, residing at Moombadevi, outside the Fort.....Defendants.

PURSUANT to an order made in the above suit, and bearing date the seventh day of March, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty Seven, the following immoveable properties will be sold by public auction, on two lots, before G. H. Farran, Esq., the Acting Commissioner of this Honorable Court, at his office in the Court House as follows:—Lot No. 1, on WEDNESDAY, the third day of October, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-eight, and Lot No. 2, on WEDNESDAY, the twenty-first day of November, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-eight, at the hour of three o'clock in the afternoon.

PARTICULARS.

All the estate and interest of the abo venamed Plaintiffs Nanabhai Ganpatrao Dhairyavan and Balaji Ganpatrao Dhairyavan, and of the defendants, Acharbai, widow of Sha Pranjiwan Ranchordas, Narandass Nathoobai, Ganpatrao Pandurung, and Purshotum Nurrotum or any of them in the following properties, namely:—

LOT No. I.

All that piece or parcel of land or ground, situate at Owalwady, otherwise known as Fofulwady near Vithulwady, in the registration sub-district of Bombay, containing by admeasurement three hundred and forty-four square yards or thereabouts, registered by the Collector of quit and ground rent under old No. 712, New No. 3243, old survey No. 86, and new survey No. 1491, with the messuage tenements or dwelling-house and well standing thereon, assessed by the Municipality of Bombay, formerly under No. 8, and now under ward Nos. 1,764 and 1,765, and street Nos. 2,830 and 1, and bounded as follows: on or towards the north by the property of Kala Bhanjee, on or towards the south by the property of Ludha Cullianjee, on or towards the east by the property formerly belonging to Sittaram Govind and now to the said Ludha Kullianjee, on or towards the west by the public passage called Fofulwady or Owalwady Lane, which said premises were formerly and are now in the occupation of the said third defendant, Ganpatrao Pandurung.

LOT No. II.

All that piece or parcel of cultivated land now turned into a garden in the rear of the Government House at Parel, in the registration sub-district of Bombay, containing by admeasurement eight thousand and one hundred square yards or thereabouts, registered by the Collector of quit and ground rent, under old Nos. 79, 91, 98, and 99, new Nos. 11, 21, 14, 22, 24, 30 and 34, 31, new survey Nos. 1, 2 and 3-585 with the messuage, tenements, building, sheds, trees, tank, and well standing thereon, assessed by the Municipality of Bombay, formerly under No. 36 and now under ward No. 634 (1), and street No. 42, and bounded as follows: on or towards the north partly by the Elphinstone Road and partly by the Government Garden, on or towards the south partly by the property of Gunpatrao Sadashivjee, and partly by the property of Gunpatrao Pandurung, on or towards the east by the Government Garden, and on or towards the west by a public passage, which said premises were formerly and are now in the occupation of the said third defendant, Gunpatrao Pandurung.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made at the Office of the said Commissioner, or at the Office of Messrs. Manockjee and Thanadar, Attorneys for the first named Plaintiffs, situate at Marine Lines, No. 31, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay, dated this 21st day of August, 1888.

G. H. FARRAN
Acting Commissioner.

OVERLAND SUMMARY, published weekly on the departure of English mail, 32 pages of the *Pall Mall Budget* fully containing all the information of the previous week carefully arranged; Army Orders, &c. Indian subscription Rs. 10 per year free of postage. English subscription Rs. 17 per year, including postage.

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PRICE LIST of WINES, &c., ON SALE at the Godowns of the undersigned:—

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	Per Qrt. Imperials.	Per 2 qrt. plats.
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Ernest Irroy's Carte d'Or	" 53 0	" 55 0
Charles Heidsiek's Grand Vin Premium, White Seal, Dry	" 42 0	Rs. 44 0
Heidsiek's Dry Monopole	" 42 0	" 44 0
Max Sutaine's extra dry	" 56 0	" 58 0

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From J. M. FABERMANN, SOHN, MAYENCE. Suppliers to H. R. H. the Prince of Wales.

Laubenheimer	Rs. 15 0	Rs. 18 0
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Marcobrunner	" 28 0	" 31 0
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From J. W. BURMESTER, OPORTO.

Good Old Red Port	Rs. 12 0
Fine "	" 20 0
Superior "	" 28 0
Most Particular Reserved Old Port	" 36 0
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From Messrs. H. & C. BALARESQUE, BORDEAUX.

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St. Julian Medoc	" 14 0	" —
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Chateau La Rose St. Estephe	" 22 0	" —
Chateau La Rose	" 32 0	" —

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Haut Canon	" 15 0
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St. Julien, Star Label	Rs.	Rs. 14 0
" Red Bar	" 12 0	" 14 0
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E. Sime & Co.'s Brandy	" 19 8	" —
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A. Delgnon Fils & Co.	" 24 0	" —
Cognac, Gold Labels, Rare old	" 32 0	" —
Vieux Cognac fine Champagne	" 35 0	" —
Charles Larvoire, very old Brandy***	" 32 0	" —

WHISKEY.

Thistle Blend Whisky ***	Rs. 14 8	
" "	" 22 8	
Cairndhu" Blend Fine Old Scotch Whisky	" 18 0	" —
James Ainslie & Co.'s Old Blended Glenlivet Whisky	" 25 0	" —

BEER.

Bavarian Beer	Rs. 6 4	"	—
Bass & Co's. Light Bitter Ale by Stone & Son	" 6 4	" 4 4	
Anton Dreher's Vienna Beer	" 6 "	" 4 "	
Marburg's Pilsener Beer	" 5 12	" 3 12	
Eiffe's Export Beer	" 5 4	" —	

ITALIAN WINES.

Vino Barbera	" 14 0	" —

SUNDRIES.

French Vermouth	Rs. 15 0	—
Italian do. Finest	" 18 0	" —
Finest Kummel	" 20 0	" —
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Swiss Cheese in tins from lbs. 30 to 35.	" 0 11	per lb.
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Peas for Soup	" —	" 10
Spinage in Water	" —	" 0 10
Mushrooms	" —	" 0 11
White Cabbage	" —	" 0 12
Small Sausages	" —	" 1 6
Smoked Sausages	" —	" 1 6
Liver Sausages	" —	" 1 4

AND FROM LUBECK.

Asparagus	" 2 8	" 1 8
French Beans	" —	" 0 12
Green Peas	" —	" 0 12
White Cabbage	" —	" 0 12
Liver Sausages	" —	" 1 4
Brunswick Sausages	" —	" 1 8
Sauquelles Liber...arst	" —	" 1 8
Mettwurst	" —	" 1 8
Cervelatwurst	" —	" 1 0
French Champignons	" —	" 1 0
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BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Fourth Criminal Sessions, 10 a.m.
Town Council, 3 p.m.
Britannia Mills, 2 p.m.
Spar of India Mills, 2-30 p.m.
Alliance Cotton Manufacturing Company, 2-30 p.m.
Mahalaxmee Spinning and Weaving Company, 3 p.m.

VESSELS ARRIVED.—The following vessels arrived yesterday :—Maria Teresa (s), from Hongkong; Merton Hall (s), Liverpool; and Arabia (s), Busreh *via* Karachi.

VESSELS SAILED.—The following vessel sailed yesterday :—Assam (s), for Aden.

VICTORIA DOCK.—The s.s. Maria Teresa entered the dock yesterday.

FRENCH'S DOCK.—The s.s. Merton Hall entered the dock yesterday.

NOTICE.—The mails for the Persian Gulf (except Gwadur, Jask and Muscat) leave Kurrachee at 11-30 a.m., to-morrow.

THE YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.—A concert in aid of the Bombay Young Women's Christian Association will be given at the Albert Edward Institute, at Poona, on Saturday evening. The first part will consist of Mendelsohn's "Hear My Prayer," and the second of vocal and instrumental music. Mr. and Mrs. Muir-Mackenzie, Mrs. Carruthers, Mrs. Preston, Mr. Dixon, and Mr. Gilbert-Cooper have kindly consented to assist.

THEFT.—At the Fort Police Court yesterday, Sadoo Laximan, a mill-hand out of employ, was charged, before Mr. Crawley-Boevey, with the theft of a metal watch and chain. The accused visited the Colaba Cotton Mills seeking employment, and while there stole the watch and chain from a mucaadum and pawned them with a Marwaree, and they were afterwards recovered by the police. In defence the prisoner said he took the articles, as he had not been paid by the mill people. The magistrate ordered him to be flogged.

A BRUTAL ASSAULT.—At the Fort Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Crawley-Boevey, Ally Mahomed Tar Mahomed was charged with being disorderly and causing hurt to his grandfather. The accused had been charged, a few days previously, with assaulting a barber with an iron bar. In the present case he had cruelly beaten the old man with a stick without any provocation and then threatened to murder him. He was sentenced to fourteen days' hard labour.

THE ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.—At the Girgaum Police Court yesterday, Archibald Torrick, a European, aged 27, was charged on remand, before Mr. P. Ryan, with attempting to commit suicide, on the 6th inst., by taking a quantity of opium, while an inmate of the Strangers' Home, Love Lane, Byculla. The accused, who was said to be of eccentric habits, was sent by the magistrate to the Police Surgeon for examination. Dr. Sidney Smith, the Police Surgeon, who examined Torrick, was of opinion that he was of unsound mind. The magistrate thereupon remanded the accused, pending instructions from Government with whom he would communicate.

MORARJEE GOCULDASS SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANY.

THE seventeenth ordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the above company was held yesterday afternoon at the company's mill premises Soparibaug Road, Parel. Mr. Harkisondass Narotumdass, the chairman of the company, presided.

The following report of the directors for the year ending 30th June, 1888, was submitted to the meeting:—

It is gratifying to have to note that the company has made gross profits amounting to Rs. 2,81,116-0-7, inclusive of Rs. 1,632-0-3, on account of last year's balance. This result your directors cannot but look upon as very satisfactory. Out of the aforesaid sum of Rs. 2,81,116-0-7, your directors have written off Rs. 50,000 on account of depreciation of machinery, and they have set apart Rs. 7,000 to meet other calls. There then stand Rs. 2,24,116-0-7 as the amount of net profits for the year. But Rs. 80,500 have already been paid away in *ad interim* dividends for the half-year ending 31st December, 1887, at Rs. 70 per share, and this leaves for disposal Rs. 1,43,616-0-7, which your directors recommend may be dealt with as under:—To be paid as dividend at Rs. 75 per share, raising the total dividend for the year to Rs. 145 per share, being 14½ per cent. on the paid up shares Rs. 86,250; to be taken to the credit of "Reserved Dividend Fund Account," Rs. 10,000; "New Engine Account," Rs. 5,000; and "Replacement or Renewal of Machinery," Rs. 37,000; "Bonus Accounts," Rs. 4,500-0-0; total Rs. 1,42,750-0-0. Balance to be carried to next year's account Rs. 866-0-7; total Rs. 1,43,616-0-7. To keep pace with the times, your directors have had removed from the spinning rooms 9,688 old spindles, consisting of mules and throstles, and replaced them by 9,312 new spindles from England, of which 6,624 are rings and 2,688 mules. They have also added certain accessories sufficient to assist production. Your mill premises, together with the machinery and ordinary contents, stand insured at Rs. 16,33,666. Owing to the resignation of Mr. Sorabjee Cowasjee Powalla, the Board of Directors, under Clause 86 of the Articles of Association, have appointed Mr. Gordhundas Khatao Muccunjee to fill the vacancy, and they now request your approval.

Resolutions were then proposed and carried unanimously adopting the above report; declaring a dividend of Rs. 70 per share; confirming the appointment of Mr. Gordhundass Khatao Muccunjee as a director of the company; re-appointing Messrs. Nowrojee Pestonjee Cama and Gordhundass Khatao Muccunjee as directors of the company; re-appointing Messrs. Dwarkadass Odhowjee and Shantaram B. Dewoolker as auditors of the accounts of the company for the current year, and their emoluments to be Rs. 250 each; and a vote of thanks was tendered to the secretaries, treasurers, and agents of the company for the good management of the affairs of the company. The usual vote of thanks was tendered to the chairman, and the meeting terminated.

ADDITIONAL PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAIL.

THE following were additional passengers by the s.s. Assam, Capt. W. F. Browne, which left on 11th Sept., 1888 :—

FOR LONDON.

Mr W Atkinson — Mr Collins,
Mr David Bell

FOR BRINDISI.

Mr R J Bingham — Mr Schummacher,
Mr J Gradwell

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RAINFALL IN BOMBAY.

	Byculla. In. cts.	Fort. Esplanade. In. cts.	Colaba. In. cts.
Previously registered.	55 16	51 33	52 56	51 79
Sept. 10, Monday ...	.....	.....	.....	0 1
„ 11, Tuesday ...	3 46	2 80	2 85	.....
Total..	58 62	54 13	55 41	51 80
Total corresponding date of last year...	90 10	91 39	87 17	85 32

RAINFALL ON THE G. I. P. R. LINE.

WE are indebted to the Agent, G. I. P. Railway, for the following table of rainfall at stations along that line up to the week ending the 31st August :—

	In. cts.		In. cts.
Jabalpur	38 81	Nasik	17 15
Rawer	8 97	Deolali	16 18
Nimbora	11 90	Ghoti	73 47
Bhadli	14 29	Nargaon	14 60
Jalgaon	22 3	Warrangaon	15 80
Sirsoli	13 89	Hudgi	25 5
Bhusawad	12 69	Mohol	9 93
Mahoji	11 37	Madha	12 10
Pachora	17 6	Barsi Road	6 95
Kasgaon	14 36	Keim	6 8
Naldongri	12 36	Jehur	3 90
Chalisgaon	11 10	Pomalwari	2 47
Nandgaon	9 49	Dexal	6 48
Manmad	7 35	Lanowli	139 59
Lasalgaon	10 45	Dhond	11 27
Khersadi	14 57	Talegaon	29 65

FOURTH CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

THE SECUNDERABAD TELEGRAPH CASE.

THE trial of Walter R. Hillier on a charge of abetting the unlawful disclosure of the contents of a telegraphic message at Secunderabad on the 10th May last was continued before his lordship and the same common jury.

Mr. Inverarity, in answer to the court, said he had no further remarks to address to the jury.

His lordship, in summing up the case to the jury, read the sections of the Penal Code bearing upon the charge preferred against the prisoner. The offence was that of inducing Snell, a telegraph officer, to unlawfully disclose to the accused the contents of a telegraphic message. The chief difficulty in the case arose from the fact that there was the evidence of persons, approvers, which the jury ought not to believe unless they considered that it was corroborated by independent testimony. Now, Snell and Webb, who were the chief witnesses against the prisoner, were admittedly both of them accomplices; and his lordship need hardly tell the jury that their evidence and the evidence of each of them was to be received with great caution unless and until it was corroborated by independent evidence in material points. The learned counsel for the prisoner had drawn the attention of the jury to judicial rulings in English cases bearing upon the evidence of accomplices; and his lordship drew their attention to the remarks of Sir Barnes Peacock and other eminent judges on the point. According to these, the court might presume that the evidence of an accomplice was unworthy of credit unless it was corroborated in material particulars by independent evidence. Now, it appeared from the evidence, as stated by Colonel Ludlow, that the Hyderabad Government suspected Abdul Huq to be at the bottom of the attempt made to procure the unlawful disclosure of telegraphic messages. It was in evidence that, on the 10th May, a telegram was despatched from the Resident at Bolarum to Secunderabad, to be forwarded to the Foreign Secretary at Simla. The telegraph signaller, on being shown the document, stated that it was received at the Secunderabad office, and that it was kept in a drawer, which was not locked. Snell, who was in charge of the office at night, said he did not sleep there, but slept in the quarters about fifty yards off. The material part of the case, his lordship said, was the evidence of Snell and other witnesses who spoke of the offers of the prisoner to pay for telegrams concerning the Deccan mining scandals. There was not, his lordship said, a tittle of evidence to corroborate the statements of Snell as to the conversation he had with the prisoner; and his lordship told the jury to attach no weight whatever to them. The next witness was Webb who, but for the pardon granted him, would have stood in the dock. Webb's statement against the prisoner was not corroborated, his lordship remarked, by any other witness; and the jury were told to disregard it. Commenting upon the evidence of the witness Morris, who was not an accomplice, his lordship said it was for the jury to say how far they could rely upon it. The evidence of Willis as to statements made by the prisoner to Snell was hearsay evidence, and was therefore unsatisfactory. Willis said that he did not tell his superiors of what he had heard, because he did not believe it to be true. His lordship thought it was evidence of a suspicious character, and he therefore warned the jury to receive it with very great caution. Referring to the letter said to have been written by the prisoner to the editor of the *Pioneer*, his lordship agreed with the remark made by the learned counsel for the prisoner upon the post-script, that the statement made therein was not a fact. The prisoner had not and could not have in his possession a number of telegrams at the time. There was another thing about the letter which struck his lordship, and which would probably strike the jury, namely that there was no concealment about it. The prisoner gave his real name and address, and made no concealment of his identity. In his lordship's opinion, the letter was inconsistent with the offer of Rs. 5,000 which the prisoner was said to have made to the telegraph signaller. Coming to the evidence of Mr. Gallaghar, the editor of the *Deccan Times*, his lordship remarked that it told more in favour of the prisoner than against him; because Mr. Gallaghar said that Webb did not mention the prisoner's name at all. His lordship read from and commented upon the other evidence in the case. He remarked that if there was, in the minds of the jury, an equal balance of evidence, they ought to give the prisoner the benefit of any reasonable doubt.

The jury, after a short consultation, returned a unanimous verdict of not guilty, and the prisoner was discharged.

His lordship also made an order for the discharge of Snell and Webb, the approvers in the case, to whom a pardon had been granted.

VOLUNTARILY CAUSING HURT.

Datoo Moorjee was charged with voluntarily causing hurt to Sonee, woman, by means of a knife. This woman had been living with prisoner for some time. She was originally a Hindoo, but was converted to Mahomedanism at the instance of the prisoner. They lived together peaceably for about two months, when some misunderstanding arose; and Sonee left the prisoner and went to live with her aunt in a room in the same chawl in which the prisoner resided. About midnight, on the 14th June last, the prisoner, who had felt the desertion, waylaid Sonee, and as she came out of a room he struck her a blow in the chest with a knife. Catching her by the hair of her head he dragged her into his own room, closed the door from inside, and tried to cut her nose. He did not succeed in doing so, but in the attempt made some slight wounds upon her nose and other parts of her body. She raised an alarm. A policeman was brought to the house and forced open the door of the room. The prisoner was not there. He tried to escape through a window, and in falling upon the stone pavement of the gully he broke his leg. Both he and the woman were removed to hospital. There were six wounds in all upon Sonee's person, the deepest wound being that across the nose. It appeared that the prisoner had taken some liquor that evening, but was sober enough to understand what he did. The knife, stained with fresh blood, was found by Inspector Holdway under his bedding. The jury unanimously found the prisoner guilty of voluntarily causing hurt by means of a cutting instrument. His lordship told the prisoner that he had been guilty of a most unprovoked and brutal assault upon a woman; and sentenced him to rigorous imprisonment for three years.

HOUSE TRESPASS AND THEFT.

Narayen Chaya and Atmaram Boodoo were charged with lurking house trespass by night and theft in the house of Cholu, woman. Mr. Anderson, instructed by the Public Prosecutor, appeared for the prosecution; and Mr. Dinshaw Davar appeared for the second prisoner.

The facts of the case for the prosecution were these. On Sunday, the 29th July last, about 9 o'clock, Jahu, woman, went to sleep with her mother in a room of their house at Mazagon, while in an adjoining room her husband and her brother were sleeping. She had on her person a gold necklace of the value of Rs. 50, and five wristlets of the value of about Rs. 160. A light was burning in Jahu's room. She was awakened by some one snatching at her necklace, which she found gone, and she saw the two prisoners there. On recognising the second prisoner who lived in the same premises, she raised a cry of "Atmaram thief, Atmaram thief." Both the prisoners ran out. The first prisoner ran down the staircase, while the second ran towards the terrace at the back of the house. The cries brought Jahu's brother and husband to her room. The first prisoner was seized as he was crouched down in a corner of the staircase with the neck ornament in his hand.

In cross-examination by Mr. Davar, it was elicited that the second prisoner was a distant relation of the witness, that he was a carpenter by trade, and that his mother was the owner of one-half of the house, Jahu's mother being the owner of the other half.

At this stage the court adjourned until 10 o'clock this morning.

AN unfriendly critic, commenting upon Mr. Gladstone's recent comparison between the prisons of Naples and of Ireland, quotes what the late Professor Bonamy Price said of him years ago. "Gladstone," he remarked, "sees every side of the truth; but he only sees one side at once. You will find him fervent on one side; a little time goes by and that whole point of view has passed away from him; he has forgotten that he ever held it; with equal fervour, and perfect sincerity, he urges a quite different side. He never balances the two together. I call that a dangerous faculty."

IT is said that the Nizam has recently made a further purchase of French Crown Jewels, of the value of Rs. 40,000, in addition to a previous purchase of Rs. 60,000 worth.

"HARLEY'S PEERLESS PEARLS."—A wonderful medicine for mental overwork. W. F. Tinnivelly, writes on August 14, 1888 :—"I think I derived great benefit from the Pearls mentally, taking generally one a day with my *chota hazri* and a second one early in the evening when I had extra hard work." 10s. 6d., or Rs. 6-8 per bottle. Sole Agents, COOPER, MADON & CO., LD., Bombay and Poona.

THE MEMON DISPUTE.

AT the Fort Police Court yesterday, Mr. Crawley-Boevey heard the summonses which he had granted to Superintendent Brewin on Saturday calling on Ahmed Abdoola Kundwani, Haji Mahomed Haji Alli, and Haji Hasan Chotani and Haji Osaman Chotani, the two representatives of the parties in the Halis Memon caste dispute, to show cause why they should not be bound over to keep the peace.

Superintendent Brewin stated that he wished to withdraw the summonses, as the parties had come to a settlement so far as they had agreed to refer this dispute to the *sethyas* of four *jamats*. They signed a paper agreeing to refer the matter to the arbitration of the *sethyas*, and on that understanding he communicated with the Commissioner of Police, explaining it was a virtual settlement of the dispute, and he now asked to withdraw the summonses.

Mr. Inverarity, who appeared for the Kundwani party, said he came prepared to show cause against the order. As a matter of fact a reference to the arbitration of the *jamats* had been signed by his clients as far back as the 14th August; but it was owing to the Chotanis refusing to accept four words in the phraseology that it was never acted upon. The Chotanis were now willing to agree to the reference upon the terms drawn up, and so were his clients, if that was all Mr. Brewin wanted. His clients had always been the assaultees and not the assaulters.

Mr. Sayani for the other side remarked that his clients were satisfied with the reference and were willing to go to the *jamats*. He explained that at first they had objected to a due inquiry in the matter by the *jamats*.

The magistrate said that the only object in the arbitration was to have a proper settlement, and under the circumstances it was a most satisfactory way. It was a great scandal that these disturbances should have lasted so long. The police had a responsible and difficult work to keep the peace in this great city. At this time of the year, during the Mohurrum, it was of the greatest importance that breaches of peace should as far as possible be prevented, and it was on these considerations that he readily granted the application made by Mr. Brewin. He was glad there was a possibility of settlement, and on the understanding come to before him he allowed the withdrawal of the summons.

Mr. Inverarity presumed every one left the court without a stain on his character.

THE NORTH AND SOUTH CRICKET MATCH.

THIS, the principal match of the Poona season, commenced at 12 noon yesterday. The North won the toss, and sent in Rice and Wilkins to oppose the bowling of Edlmaan and Kilkelly, Rice taking the first ball from Edlmaan, by which he was clean bowled. The vacancy was filled by Barton. Wilkins made a single from Kilkelly, and in the next over out Edlmann for 2. After two maiden overs Wilkins made a single in the slips off Eldmaan, and the same from Kilkelly. A maiden over from Edlmaan was followed by a single from Barton off Kilkelly, after which Barton tipped Edlmaan to leg for 2. Wilkins was next accredited with 3 from Kilkelly, which looked very like leg byes, but they were not called by the umpire. Barton then cut Kilkelly for 3, Wilkins made a single from the next ball. Barton a single from the third, and Wilkins 3 in the slips from the last ball. After a maiden over from Edlmaan, Barton made a single from Kilkelly's first ball, and the next was out for 2 by Wilkins. A maiden over followed, and Clowes then took the ball at the Pavilion end. His first ball was driven to the on for 2 by Wilkins, who also cut the third ball for 3. Wilkins then made 2 to the on from Edlmann, and a single from the next ball, cutting Clowes' first ball for 2. A hard cut from Barton off Clowes was very smartly stopped by Twiss at point, and after two maiden overs, Barton and Wilkins each made a single from Edlmann, the latter sending Clowes to the off for 3 in the next over, in which Barton also put in a single from the last ball. The umpire at the Council Hall end appeared asleep at this stage, giving two overs in succession of only 3 balls. Muir-Mackenzie (left-hand) now came on at the Pavilion end, his first five overs being maidens; meanwhile Barton got Edlmann's first ball nicely away for 2 to square leg, and again for the same; and after a maiden over the same batsman made another single to leg. Wilkins next made a single from Edlmann's first ball, and at last got 2 from Muir-Mackenzie to the on. Barton added a single from Edlmaan, and his partner did the same in the next over. Wilkins tipped Mackenzie for a single, and Barton cut him for the same. [50 went up at 1-5 p.m.] After a maiden over from Edlmaan, Wilkins sent Mackenzie to the on for 2, and another maiden from both bowlers followed, but after a second maiden from Edlmann, Wilkins made a single, and 4 byes were run. Wilkins then made a single to short leg from Edlmann, Barton cutting the next ball for 2. Three maiden overs followed, and Barton then got a single past the bowler, making another single off Mackenzie's second ball, the next being driven for 2 to the on by Wilkins. Three byes followed, and then Wilkins tipped Edlmann in the slips for a single, and got Mackenzie away to leg for the same. Francis now went on at the Council Hall end, and his last ball was tipped by Wilkins for 2. After a maiden from Mackenzie, Wilkins made 2 to leg from Francis, and another bye was run. Two maiden overs followed, and Wilkins then cut a loose ball from Mackenzie for a single, and again got one from Francis' next over. He next out Mackenzie very prettily behind the wicket for 4. Francis sent down a maiden over, and General Cox (left-hand) relieved Muir-Mackenzie at the Pavilion end, his second ball being a wide. Barton then sent Francis to the on for 3, and four byes were run off Cox's second ball. The next two overs were maidens, and Wilkins then made 4 past Francis. Two byes from Cox followed, and his last ball was driven by Barton to the on for a single. Wilkins then drove Francis to the on for 3, and again to leg for the same the century going up on the board at 1-50 p. m. Clowes now came on again at the Pavilion end, Wilkins making a single from his second ball and the same from Francis; in the next over Barton also adding one to the on from the same bowler. After another maiden over, an adjournment was made for tiffin, the score being 107 for one wicket, to which Wilkins had contributed 60 and Barton 32.

On the resumption of play after tiffin, Barton made one from Clowes, and Wilkins 2. Edlmann relieved Francis, and Barton put him away for a single to leg. Morris being absent, a chokra was put on to field in his place. Barton got 2 from Clowes through the bad fielding of Swaine at cover-point, and again a single to the on. A leg-bye was then run from Edlmann. Barton next drove Clowes for 2, and then stole a single. Play was now interrupted by the rain, with the score at 119. Wilkins (not out) 62, Barton (not out) 41.

NORTH.

Mr. Wilkins, not out	62
Captain Rice, b Edlmann...	0
Mr. Barton, not out	41
Extras	16
Total ...	119

—*Deccan Herald.*

A NOVEL competition was arranged at a recent volunteer camp in Staffordshire. The programme of the competition as distributed in the camp, may be reprinted, in the hope, however, that Staffordshire will retain its monopoly in nose shows :—

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PRESIDENT CLEVELAND'S "RETALIATION" MESSAGE.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND'S Message to Congress of the 24th August commences with a reference to the "vexatious interferences" with American commerce, which he sought to end by diplomatic methods. But the Senate had declined to co-operate with him, by rejecting the result of his efforts, without evincing any disposition either to alter or amend its provisions, and with the evident intention that no negotiation should at present be concluded. He is therefore obliged to consider a policy of retaliation, which he considers should be, above all things, thorough and vigorous, and such as will be calculated to inflict most damage upon those "who have injured us, with least harm to ourselves." He therefore solicits two further grants of power, although he will not hesitate upon occasion, to enforce the powers already conferred upon him. The first relates to the privilege of transit in bond, duty free, across the United States territory of Canadian exports and imports. The President estimates that within six years two hundred and seventy million dollars' worth of goods liable to duty under the Unites States tariff have thus been carried to and from Canada, consisting largely of articles carried in British bottoms between Great Britain and her Colony. This privilege of free transit was made reciprocal by the 29th Article of the Treaty of 1871; but in 1886 Canada withdrew it as regards fish caught by Americans, and which they wished to send across the Dominion to the American markets. President Cleveland recommends immediate legislation empowering him to suspend this privilege of free transit.

The President next considers whether Congress is free to suspend this privilege, and he concludes that it is, for the following reasons :—In the first place, he quotes the opinions of the joint High Commissioners to show that they thought the fisheries and the transit privileges were reciprocal. Secondly, the law for enforcing the provisions of the Treaty of 1871 sustains this view; and, thirdly, the transit privileges became terminable upon the suspension of the Treaty in 1885. The President bases his course, not upon the violation of the Treaty, but upon the conduct of the Canadians in harassing American fishermen.

President Cleveland next discusses the question of the Lake and Canal Navigation. American public works are, he says, free to Canadians; but every canal and lock in the Dominion of Canada demands tolls from Americans. Moreover, the Canadians violate their agreement that Americans and Canadians shall be subject to equal tolls, by paying rebates upon traffic sent to Canadian ports which is refused to traffic sent to American markets, thus increasing by many times the tolls charged to Americans. He recommends the laying of similar burdens upon Canadian commerce over the American lakes, rivers, and canals by legislation which will empower and enforce an exact reciprocity of treatment. He concludes with the remark that the Government does only half its duty when it merely protects its citizens at home, and permits them to be imposed upon and humiliated by the unfair and over-reaching disposition of other nations. He hopes that the policy he recommends will be enforced calmly and firmly, without the display of any feeling of partisanship.

THE OLDEST CATHOLIC PRIEST IN THE WORLD.

A BANGALORE paper gives an account of the career of the Rev. Father Jarrige, who, a few days ago, entered upon his ninety-third year, and who has not left India since his arrival in this country in the year in which the Queen was born.

The Very Rev. Francis Jarrige was born on the 8th September 1796, in the diocese of Clermont, France. He received his early education in the Seminary of Chavagnes (Vendee), where he subsequently became a professor. He joined the Seminary for foreign Missions at Paris, as a tonsurer in 1817. In Paris he met the Rev. Father Imbert, who afterwards became a bishop, and the Rev. Gagelin, both of whom were subsequently martyred, and since declared "venerable" by his Holiness the Pope. Father Jarrige left the Seminary at Paris after his ordination, in 1819, and embarked the same year with two other priests for Pondicherry. He landed in India the same year, and consequently began his work as an Indian Missionary in the year in which Her Gracious Majesty the Queen-Empress of India was born. We may also observe that Father Jarrige and his two companions (the latter long since gone to their reward), were the first missionaries that France sent out to foreign parts after the great revolution. Father Jarrige was also, when at Paris, personally known to the great Abbe Dubois, the missionary traveller and writer, whose fame still resounds through this province. Father Jarrige, at the commencement of the career in India, was priest in charge of all the country extending from Ganjam to Cape Comorin. In 1826, Father Jarrige and a native priest were in sole charge of what now constitutes the diocese of Mysore, which at present has one Bishop, thirty-six European and ten native priests. In 1840 Father Jarrige was appointed Pro-Vicar Apostolic of Pondicherry, which vicariate of that time also extended over the present dioceses of Mysore and Coimbatore. Father Jarrige was a venerable and sun-beaten missionary when the Right Rev. Doctors Charbonneaux and Chevalier, late Bishops in succession of Mysore, (or rather Vicars Apostolic) landed at Pondicherry, full of the zeal and ardour of youth, in 1830 and 1838, respectively. Both of these have long since passed away. In 1850 the Vicariate Apostolic of Mysore and Coorg was established, and Mgr. Charbonneaux, the first Bishop Vicar Apostolic, secured the services of the pious and zealous missionary whose birthday is celebrated this day. In 1869 the golden jubilee of Father Jarrige's priesthood was celebrated, and Bishop Charbonneaux, who was then in Rome, a member of the famous Vatican Council, informed his Holiness Pope Pius IX. of the fact. Pope Pius immediately sent his special blessing to Father Jarrige by telegram. The last twenty years of Father Jarrige's active life were spent as Parish Priest of St. Francis Xavier's Church on St. John's Hill. Owing to old age and infirmity, he gave up the charge of this Parish in 1872, and has since led a quiet and secluded life in the Native Ecclesiastical Seminary, on St. John's Hill. He is now, according to the opinion of Mgr. Aglardi, late Delegate Apostolic to India, and several other prelates, the oldest missionary in the world. This venerable priest, though he is blind, retains his memory. He also occasionally,—another priest assisting him,—says Mass. Naturally he is an object of affectionate interest to the Bishop, clergy, and all Catholics, European and Native, in Mysore, and to very many in other parts of India.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Sept. 12.—Cricket: North *vs.* South, at Poona.
Town Council Meeting.
Fourth Criminal Sessions.
„ 13.—Municipal Corporation.
Fourth Criminal Sessions.
„ 15.—Legislative Council, Poona.
„ 17.—Taboot Day.
Parsee New Year's Day.
„ 18.—Fine Arts Exhibition, Poona.
„ 19.—Town Council Meeting.
„ 20.—Poona Races.
„ 22.—Poona Races.
„ 25.—Poona Races.
„ 26.—Town Council Meeting.
„ 27.—Poona Races.
„ 29.—Poona Races.
Legislative Council, Poona.
Oct. 4.—Poona Horse Show.
„ 10.—Central Rifle Meeting.
„ 11.—Central Rifle Meeting.
„ 12.—Central Rifle Meeting.
„ 13.—Central Rifle Meeting.
„ 15.—Mysore Sky Races.
„ 16.—Central Rifle Meeting.
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„ 18.—Central Rifle Meeting.
„ 19.—Mysore Sky Races.
Central Rifle Meeting.
„ 20.—Central Rifle Meeting.
„ 22.—Central Rifle Meeting.
„ 30.—Lucknow Autumn Races.
Nov. 1.—Lucknow Autumn Races.
„ 3.—Lucknow Autumn Races.
„ 6.—Meerut Autumn Races.
„ 8.—Meerut Autumn Races.
„ 10.—Meerut Autumn Races.
„ 17.—Hyderabad Races.
Sonepore Races.
„ 20.—Hyderabad Races.
Sonepore Races.
„ 22.—Hyderabad Races.
Sonepore Races.
„ 24.—Hyderabad Races.
Dec. 13.—Dinner to Lord Dufferin by the Byculla Club.
„ 19.—Madras Races.
„ 22.—Calcutta Races (First Meeting).
Madras Races.
„ 24.—Madras Races.
„ 26.—Calcutta Races (First Meeting).
Madras Races.
„ 29.—Calcutta Races (First Meeting).

CALCUTTA AND THE ENGLISH MAIL.

THE *Englishman* says :—

We are informed that the Government of India has finally negatived the proposal to run a special train between Bombay and Calcutta on the English mail-days. But, so far as we are aware, the proposal which was more immediately under consideration was the acceleration of the ordinary mail train on the plan proposed some time ago by Sir Bradford Leslie,—a plan by which the journey might be curtailed by twelve hours. We believe that by attaching a dining-car to the trains, by shunting at Naini without going on needlessly across the Jumna Bridge to the Allahabad station, and by the adoption of the Westinghouse break, the acceleration by twelve hours would be by no means a difficult feat. No doubt the change would cost a little more, and the Government of India does not regard the most important mail service in the country with the same liberality as, say, the Black Mountain expedition. Probably, however, the opposition has been promoted by those who desire to maintain the established system and existing interests. The proposed arrangements for dining cars would perhaps interfere with the contract for the refreshment rooms, and this may be a serious practical difficulty although, somehow it calls up the image of Stephenson's cow. At the same time, the existence of difficulties of greater or less magnitude was never denied, and the opinion of the public that it is the duty of the Government to overcome these difficulties will not be lessened by the announcement that it has "negatived" the present proposals. We should imagine that the Government of India is heartily sick of the wearisome iteration of its old apology in such cases. Doubtless it has no money, and the project is not one that is likely to yield a large profit, but we would venture to suggest that this is an object for which Eastern India has reason to expect support even if it entails a considerable loss. The Government cannot expect to confine its activity exclusively to "productive" works, and if ever there was a scheme for which assistance might be claimed it is the proposal to accelerate the English mail service of Bengal, Behar, Orissa, Assam, and Burma. There are certain aspects of this matter to which the Government can hardly have given due attention.

After the annual variation caused by the change of monsoon, our homeward mail service will resume its ordinary course from Tuesday, the 18th instant. With the accelerated speed of the journey from Brindisi to Bombay, the weekly P. and O. steamer will, no doubt, continue to be signalled at the latter port on Sunday, and our letters will, therefore, ordinarily reach us, as now, on Wednesday morning. There will, of course, be occasions on which a long suffering but disgusted Calcutta public will find itself unnecessarily deprived for 24 hours of its looked for home correspondence, owing to the steamer's arrival at Bombay being delayed until an hour or so after midnight on Sunday. But with regard to the special train which is sent off from Bombay provided the mails are signalled by midnight, why should it not be available to bring through our letters independently of the ordinary passenger service starting, in fact, at any hour of the night or day when the steamer may arrive? Of late years, in Europe and America, quick postal deliveries and the rapid conveyance of mails have been constant subjects of study, and the occasion of some of the greatest triumphs in steam locomotion. It is surely, then, a matter of grave reproach that our Government should treat with apparent indifference a question of the acceleration of the English mail service. It is not very difficult to imagine the indignation which would be excited in London were the Indian mails to be detained at Brindisi after the manner in which they are kept back at Bombay, the representations that the British Government would immediately make to the Ministers of King Humbert, and the persistent questioning to which the English Postmaster-General would be subjected in the House of Commons. After all, the running of the special engine to, say, Allahabad instead of Jubbulpur, is surely no great matter, and it might be expected that the East Indian Railway would willingly accede to an arrangement which has been working for a considerable period on the G. I. P. line. So far as we are aware, there is no published statement of the objections and difficulties that stand in the way, so that, in urging the proposal, we are to a certain extent in the dark. We do not know, at least, from what quarter the opposition comes. At the same time, we do know what the public on this side of India think and say of the inability of the Government to effect the proposed acceleration.

But there is another and more important improvement which ought to be effected in our European mail service *via* Bombay. It has previously been pointed out in these columns that not only does commercial and social Bombay enjoy the pleasure of reading its home letters while those for Calcutta are lying for nearly a whole day in the post-office awaiting the departure of the evening train, but that it possesses the solid advantage of being able to reply thereto during the week in which they are received. Calcutta, though separated from Bombay by no more than a 60 hours' railway journey, is yet in this particular one week further from England by post. Thus, assuming that the mail steamer arrives at Bombay on Sunday, our letters do reach us until Wednesday morning or some 12 hours after our weekly European mail has been closed at the Post Office. While Bombay, then is able to send off a reply to a letter received on Sunday by the steamer leaving on Friday, Calcutta is unable to do so until the departure of the steamer leaving seven days later. The 1,409 miles separating Calcutta from Bombay are covered by rail in 60 hours, which gives an average speed including stoppages of only 23½ miles per hour; and this, too, at a time when steamships are carrying the mails between Europe and America at a higher rate of speed across the Atlantic, and "Flying Scotchmen" are tearing from London to Edinburgh in less than eight hours. It is not denied that the rate at which the Bombay mail train travels could be readily accelerated to a speed which would save at least twelve hours in the journey each way. All, then, that is needed to place Calcutta on an equality with Bombay as regards its postal communication with Europe is the sanction of Government to the running of a fast train to carry the overland mails between the two places. This sanction has, so far, been most unreasonably withheld, as though mere sentiment only were at stake. The change is, however, demanded as a convenience of considerable importance to the commercial community of Calcutta. It is too commonly assumed that, because business with Europe is now usually conducted by telegraph, a delay of a day in the receipt of, or a week in the reply to, letters is of no consequence. It is certain, however, that no merchant will use the wires when the post will equally serve his purpose; hence, whatever tends to curtail the time now required for the conveyance of letters to and from Europe will equally tend to relieve commerce of part of the heavy telegraphing expenses which now penalise its operations. Again, all new or special business depends upon its conditions being fully explained and thoroughly understood by both parties to it. For such, the telegraphed wire is, the initiatory stages of these transactions, quite useless, but it is hardly necessary to urge that the advantage of being able to send a reply to a letter from Europe one mail earlier that at present would be a most valuable concession to Calcutta merchants. It may seem a small matter to Government that a large amount of business of the kind we have referred to—business dependent on a common understanding as to its conditions and the formal confirmation of its terms—should be hindered by an unnecessary delay of a week, but to Calcutta merchants the delay is always vexatious, and is frequently the cause of direct loss. We trust that this matter will be more fully considered before the present Government comes to a final decision.

IT is said to be the intention of the French Government to contract for supplies to the Tonkin Army of occupation in France instead of on the spot, in order to support French trade. A correspondent shows that by buying American and Australian instead of French flour, Tonkin saved a million francs on the last contract, and the project of the Minister simply means that Tonkin would be drained to "protect" a few merchants in France.

A NEILGHERRIES paper "had the pleasure to witness" at an Ootacamund church on a recent Sunday, a remarkable yawn. The person referred to indulged himself in such a portentous yawn that the jaw refused to return to its natural position; in short, he had dislocated it, and it was only by speedy surgical aid for which he rushed out of Church that the offending member was replaced. The question has been raised whether, in the event of more dire results

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SALES BY AUCTION.

BENNETT AND COMPANY.
No. 5, APOLLO STREET.

SALE OF A LARGE CLAIM AGAINST MR. PREM, CHUND ROYCHUND.
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.
Ordinary Original Civil Jurisdiction.
Suit No. 311 of 1886.
Tribhovandass Munguldass Nuthoobhai.....Plaintiff.
vs.
Premchund Roychund and Charles Agnew Turner, Esquire, Official Assignee and Assignee of the Estate and Effects of the said Premchund Roychund .....Defendants.

In pursuance of the directions contained in the order made in the above suit, and bearing date the 11th day of August, 1888, the following claim will be sold by Public Auction, on WEDNESDAY, the 12th day of September next, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, at the rooms of the undersigned, No. 5, Apollo Street.

PARTICULARS.

All the right, interest, claim and demand, of the abovenamed plaintiff and Rao Bahadoor Nana Morojee, the trustees of a Gujarati writing of trust, bearing date the 16th day of December, 1833, and executed by the late Candasa Narandass, under the decree, dated the 17th day of January, 1887, made in this suit, whereby it is amongst other things ordered and decreed that the defendant Premchund Roychund do pay to the plaintiff and the said Rao Bahadoor Nana Morojee, the sum of Rs. 94,649-8 for debt and interest and the costs of this suit taxed at Rs. 1,15-5-12, and further simple interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum, upon the amount of the said judgment, from the date thereof until payment, but on account of which said decree the trustees received and recovered the sum of Rs. 1,500 which will be retained by them.

The claim will be put up for sale as mentioned in the particulars of sale.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made at the office of Messrs. LITTLE, SMITH, FRERE and NICHOLSON, Attorneys of the abovenamed plaintiff, and Rao Bahadoor Nana Morojee, the trustees, No. 79, Meadows Street.

On SATURDAY, the 15th instant, Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will sell by Public Auction at their rooms a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods.

AT 1-30 P.M.

1 handsome strong English-built glass-fronted miniature brougham.
1 handsome strong second-hand Office Shigram.
1 powerful grey arab horse, 14-3, goes in single and double harness, very quiet.
1 handsome strong high-wheeled dog-cart.
1 strong bareiley cart with hood.

Under instructions from the Port Storekeeper, State Railway, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will on WEDNESDAY, the 26th instant, at 1 p.m., sell by Public Auction at the State Railway store yard, Nesbitlan, Byculla, a large quantity of fish plates, brakegear, brass bars, door bolts, brackets, brass catches for venetians, large iron chains, blue glass sheets for windows, carriage door handles, hinges, springs, steel for windows brass staples, signal glasses, new carriage roof lamps, augurs, carpenters' tools, files, hammers, pics, powrap, platelayers, cases of paints, steel and iron rails, turn tables, roof and sheds of timber and tiles. &c., &c.

The above will be on view four days before the sale.

BENNETT & CO.

bombay, 11thSeptember 1888.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY.
7, MARINE STREET.

SALE OF FANCY WOOLLEN CLOTH.

THIS DAY, WEDNESDAY, the 12th instant, at 2 p.m Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their rooms—

5 cases about 200 pieces fancy woollen cloth for coats, trousers, and suits, each piece containing from 10 to 15 yards.

In lots to suit all purchasers.

TO-MORROW, THURSDAY the 13th instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at the Victoria Dock, shed No. 7.

Ex. s.s. Bothwell Castle.

A quantity of horse fittings, consisting of boards and planks of various sizes, wooden and tin buckets, bolts, nuts, &c.

On FRIDAY, the 14th instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs CRAWFORD & Co, will sell by Public Auction at their rooms,

On account and at the risk of Futtaychund Khoopchund.—

V B ex
1335 1491-1500—5 barrels alizarine.

On account and at the risk of Lalcobhoy Vithuldass—

V B
0 3529-43—15 barrels, alizarine.

On SATURDAY, the 15th September, at 1 p.m. Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at the "Rutnagur Lodge," Falkland Road, near the Bapty's Flour Mill, the valuable and handsome French-polished, blackwood and teakwood substantial household furniture, plated ware, crockery and glassware, handsome table ornaments, China and Japanese flower vases, table and hanging duplex lamps, Brussels carpets, pictures, &c., the property of Mr. Dhunjibhai Manockjee Munasetk.

Catalogues will be published, and the property is on view.

SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY IN CHURNEYWADY, WITHOUT THE FORT.

Under instructions from the Administrator-General Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction on the premises on WEDNESDAY, the 19th September, at 4 p.m., the undermentioned landed property belonging to the estate of the late Ahmed Adam, viz:—

All that piece of Fazundaree ground belonging to the late Cushna Mucconji, Fazundar, together with the two-storied dwelling house of two compartments standing thereon, situate without the Fort of Bombay, on the Southern side of Churney Wady, in the part called Dhakta Rope, in the Registration subdistrict of Fort, assessed by the Collector of Assessment under No. 10, containing by admeasurement 122 square yards or thereabouts, and bounded on the east by a gully and the house of Nowrojee Cursetjee, on the west by a public passage, on the north by the Churney Wady Lane, and on the south by a sweeper's passage and house of Aubharoo Pestonjee Sorabjee.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made to the undersigned.

SALE of Valuable Landed Property in Nacoda Street, otherwise called Colsa Moholla, without the Fort.

Under instructions from the Administrator-General, Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co well sell by Public Auction on the premises, on THURSDAY, the 20th September, at 4 p.m., the undermentioned landed property belonging to the estate of the late Ahmed Adam.

All that piece of ground, together with the three-storyed dwelling-house standing thereon, situate on the north side of Nacoda Street, otherwise called Colsa Moholla, without the Fort of Bombay, containing by admeasurement about 19 feet in breadth and about 30 feet in length, and assessed by the Collector of Assessment under Nos. 38 and 40, and bounded on the east by the property of Mahomed Arkiawalla, on the west by the Jamatkhana, on the north by the property of Essa Allana, and on the west by the said Nacoda Street or Colsa Moholla.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made to the undersigned.

On THURSDAY, the 27th inst., at 1 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Baboola Tank Road, Mazagon, opposite "Byramjee Hall," the valuable and handsome French-polished carved and plain blackwood and teakwood, household furniture, best plated ware, rich crockery and glassware, a sweet-toned mahogany square Pianoforte by Schiemayer and Soehne, Stuttgart, nearly new, a handsome strong-built light dog-cart, very little used, a Wheeler and Wilson's sewing machine, rich table ornaments, handsome China and Japanese flower vases, first-rate oil paintings, Hinks's table and hanging lamps, Brussels and Persian carpets, Madras cane matting, valuable books, &c., the property of Captain M. CORKERY.

Catalogues will be published and the property will be on view four days before sale.

CRAWFORD & CO,
Bombay, 10th September, 1888.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

TUESDAY EVENING, SEPT. 11.

SILVER, according to Reuter, was 3-16d. per oz. higher than on Saturday in London yesterday, at 42½d; but private telegrams quote the metal as high as 42⅝d. per oz. with a demand for the Continent. Some eight lakhs of extra Bills on Bombay were placed by the Indian Council yesterday at rates ranging from 1s. 4½d. to 1s. 4 5-16d, the extreme price showing an advance of 1-16d. on Friday's extra sale, and of 5-32d. on last Wednesday's allotment rate. Rupee Securities advanced ½ per cent. for Fours, at £68½, and 1½ per cent. in the other denomination, at £71¼. Consols and Indian Sterling Loan were unchanged at 98⅜ and 104½, respectively. French Rentes were steady in Paris at 106; but Exchange on London was again a centime higher, making the rate Francs 25·43.

Yesterday's quotations for Linseed show a rise of 6d. per quarter in Calcutta Seed to arrive by either route, and of 3d. to 6d. per quarter in Liverpool quality, the tone of the market having been firm. Rapeseed was likewise firm, but unchanged in value; as also was Poppyseed. Wheat was steady, the only change in prices wired being an advance of 3d. per quarter in Club No. 2 to arrive *via* the canal. The Sheep Skin Sales opened in London yesterday, heavy weights fetching ½d. per lb. higher.

The advance of 1-16d. in spot Mid-Uplands in Liverpool on Saturday was followed yesterday by a further rise to the same extent, bringing the price to 6 1 16d. per lb. The market closed firm with more doing in Surats at hardening rates, though with no quotable change, and of these 1,200 bales were taken out of the 14,000 sold. American Arrivals were 3-64d. higher for September-October; 1-32d. for October-November; and 1-64d. in all more distant positions.

The Manchester Market had been firm in sympathy with Cotton.

In New York the spot price was 1-16 cent higher yesterday at 10½ cents; but December Futures were 6 points lower, at 9·72 cents. The Receipts at the U. S. Ports were 13,000 bales, against 22,000 bales last year, and 12,100 bales for the corresponding day in 1886, the comparative totals for the three years since the 1st September being as follows:—

	1888.	1887.	1886.
Two days' Receipts ..	18,000	39,000	22,200
Since 1st inst.....	57,000	139,000	76,500

The Washington Agricultural Bureau Report which has been expected with some eagerness in Cotton circles all day arrived through Reuter late this evening. It states that the average condition of the Cotton crop in ten Cotton States is 83 13-16 per cent., which compares unfavourably with last month, when the condition was estimated at 87 15-16, but favourably with the two preceding years, when it was put down at 82 per cent., and 82·8 per cent., respectively, for the same month. The report adds that the crop has been damaged by drought, rust, and caterpillar; and that the picking has been delayed by unfavourable weather.

MONEY.—The weekly statement of the Bank of Bombay, issued a day late owing to the holiday yesterday, shows an increase in the Cash Balance of some seventeen lakhs. The decrease in Government Deposits on Saturday was within four lakhs, and it will be seen from the subjoined figures that a considerable diminution had taken place under the heads of Loans and Bills Discounted, against which there was a comparatively small decrease in other than Public Deposits, the net falling off in trade and private requirements being represented by nearly twenty-three lakhs. The following are the changes shown:—

Public Deposits at Head Office...	Dec	Rs. 3,93,573
Do. do. Branches	Dec.	,, 1,11,842
Other Deposits	Dec.	,, 2,67,000
Government Securities	Inc.	,, 34,233
Loans	Dec.	,, 9,33,520
Bills Discounted	Dec.	,, 15,25,983
Cash with other Banks	Dec.	,, 4,61,047
Cash and Currency Notes	Inc.	,, 17,05,980

COTTON.—Although the Washington telegram is only to hand as we write, its purport would appear to have been surmised and has been anticipated by considerable contracts in our coming crop at a material advance in rates. European buyers have been in the market both yesterday and to-day, and are reported to have booked, together with native operators, some 10,000 bales of "Good" Broach for March delivery at Rs.231-2; and considerable quantities of "Good" Bhownuggur and Dharwar, for May, at Rs. 201-2 and Rs. 206, respectively; of Jalgaum, for March, at Rs. 199-200; and of Bengals, at Rs. 169 for "Good," Rs. 175 for "Fully Good," and Rs. 189-90 for "Fine" for January delivery. A line of "Good" Khangaum, for March, is also reported at Rs. 209. In ready stuff very little has been doing, the only transactions reported being 400 bales of Barsee taken at Rs. 212½; and 150 Wadwan, at Rs. 202½-5 per candy.

WHEAT has been in much less demand to-day, and only a moderate business has transpired; but the tone of the market has been steady, with prices unchanged all round.

SEEDS also are out of favour, and little has been done to-day in any description; but previous rates are quoted both for *Linseed* and *Rapeseed*.

The Receipts of Produce into Bombay on Sunday and yesterday were as follows:—

Cotton	466	bales.
Wheat	100,726	cwts.
Linseed	11,639	,,
Rapeseed	12,891	,,
Poppyseed	1,445	,,

FREIGHTS are firm, with room for this and next month hardly obtainable at any price. Business has been done to-day for Liverpool, February shipment, at 21s. 6d.; and for Marseilles, for May shipment, at 20s. 6d. per ton.

EXCHANGE, as might have been expected from the tenor of advices from the other side, opened firm and advancing again, nominally at 1s. 4½ for Bank Wire Transfer, and 1s. 4 9-32d for Demand; but rates hardened at once after one or two transactions in 3 months' sight Credits at 1s. 4 15-32d. for ready and 1s. 4½d. for February delivery. 1s. 4 5-16d. for forward Telegraphic from October, and 1s. 4 11-32d. from March were quoted. Considerable business has been done to-day in Mercantile Bills at 1s. 4 17-32d. for various deliveries this year; and at 1s. 4 11-32d. in Telegraphic for March transfer between Banks and Bank Telegraphic and Demand at the same rate for next month. The tone was firm at closing at our quotations, say:—

Bank Bills on demand.....	1s. 4 11-32d. per rupee.
Do. Telegraphic.....	1s. 4 5-16d. ,,
Do. 3 months' sight.	1s. 4 13-32d. ,,
Credits do.	...1s. 4 17-32d. ,,
Francs do.	...1·75

GOVERNMENT PAPER, in sympathy with the advance at home, has been firm at higher rates, though without much business passing. Fours for Money were quoted in the morning at 101½, and for account at 101, and after drooping a little they closed at those rates, with the October account called 100-13-16; and 4½ per cent. Paper 101 nominal.

SHARES have attracted but little attention to-day, and the following are the only changes which we have to note:—Bhaloo Mucconji Mill shares have declined Rs. 15; Ripon, Rs. 10; and Oriental, Rs. 5. Anglo-Indian have advanced Rs. 2. Mofussil Press are Rs. 5 higher. Bombay-Burma trading are Rs. 55 higher for the first issue, and Rs. 10 per share for the others.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LISTS.

PRESS COMPANIES

Akbar Cotton	200	1,200	1,250	Rs.	75	1,210
Albert Ginning Co. ..	10	500	500	Rs.		410
Albert Press Co., Kurrachee	10	1,100	1,10	Rs.	100	810
Apollo Press Co (small shares)	750	400	400	Rs.	20	240
Bellary	620	1,000	1,00	Rs.	2	215
Broach Cawnpore Press Co., Ld	0	20	20	Rs.	16	100
Bombay Cotton Press ...	10	12	12	Rs.	15	172½
Colaba Press Co. ...	0	1,88	1,88	Rs.	6 0	590
East India Press Co.	0	1,00	1,00	Rs.	130	1,200
English Press & Mfg. Co., Ld.	400	25	...	...		265
Fort Press Co.	10	8,50	8,50	Rs.	50	1,500
French Press Co.	90	60	60	Rs.	80	500
Harvey & Sabapathy Co., Ld.	45	600	600	Rs.		407
Khangaum Cotton Press Co.	240	450	all	Rs.	45	350
Manmar Manfg. Co ...	1,00	250	250	Rs.	10	235
Mercantile Press ...	1,50	125	12	Rs.		6½
Mofussil Co.	9,12	400	40	Rs.	0	412½
New Berar Cotton Ginning & Press Co.	1,250	600	600	Rs.	60	540
New Indian Press ...	4,000	125	12	Rs.	10	85
Prince of W. Press ...	90	500	10	Rs.	30	80
Sabapathy Press Co., Ld., (Bellary.)	80	600	600	Rs.	70	440
Sind Press Co.	40	2,000	750	Rs.	50	440
Sind & Punjaub Cotton Press Co.	100	1,000	1,000	Rs.	130	1,235
Sassoon Press Co.	200	600	600		35	560
Volkart Press Co. ...	905	1,000	1,000	P		64

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES; THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

BIRTH.

MACKENZIE—September 8, at Hydrabad, Sind, the wife of M. D. Mackenzie, Surgeon, Sind Commission, of a daughter.

The Bombay Gazette

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1888.

THE race to the North which is being run with such keen spirit on English and Scottish railways this tourist season will be imitated some day on a far grander scale by a race to Europe from India by competing railway systems. Unless some tremendous war in the immediate future violently interrupts the spread of civilization in Asia, it is about as certain as anything can be that India will be eventually connected with Europe by almost or quite continuous railroads. In that not very distant future, which some of us may hope to see, we shall have the choice of going North by a Great Northern line or a North-Western line of far huger dimensions than their English counterparts. The South-Western will go by the Euphrates Valley, and the Great Northern will pass through Afghanistan on its way to the Black Sea or perhaps straight to Moscow. These two railways will compete hard for traffic and passengers, offering the attractions of speed and economy, and under the influence of this competition the distance between India and England will be reduced to about a ten days' journey. It is true that much remains to be done. But as surely as the first lines laid down between Manchester and Liverpool involved as a necessary consequence the construction of railways all over England and Scotland, so surely does the mutual approach of the Indian and Russian railway systems harbinger their ultimate meeting with all the great consequences which that meeting will entail. At present they are less than 700 miles apart, and on the map of Asia the Indian railway system seems to be pushing out the Bolan branch like an outstretched arm to grasp the Russian Transcaspian line at Dopchak, its most southern point. This comparatively short interval—short that is to say as compared with Asiatic distances—presents few engineering difficulties. There is plenty of water and plenty of inhabitants on the route, and the mountains of Paropamisus have dwindled down on close inspection to a very inconsiderable altitude. The political difficulties of its construction cannot last for ever. Either Afghanistan will be civilised and consolidated under the rule of a powerful and progressive native dynasty, which will seize the chances of wealth presented by a railway that would probably double the population of the country it traverses, or else the Afghans will plunge into hopeless disunion and so pave the way for their own subjection. In either case the railway will be constructed sooner or later.

Let us then follow in imagination one of the courses that we ourselves or at any rate our children will traverse on their homeward journeys. As the Afghan railway is still only a dream of the future, the task of describing it may be left unattempted for the present. Let us then suppose that the Afghan railway has carried us safely to the Russian junction of Dopchak. From that point onward we are on locomotive trodden ground which has been traversed by a considerable number of intelligent travellers, most of whom seem to have been French and German. Englishmen cannot readily gain admission to the carriages of the Transcaspian railway, but several Frenchmen were with General Annenkoff its constructor when he lately celebrated its completion to Samarcand. One of these French guests has written in the *Journal des Debats* an account of his journey to that city, but his account is too vague to be of much practical use. Another French traveller who has just published a book describing his *Voyage a Merv*, which he visited in the autumn of 1886, will be a more serviceable guide. The railway had not then been completed as far as Samarcand, but that does not matter, as Samarcand and Merv too, for that matter, do not lie on the main course between India and the Black Sea. Thus our homeward bound Anglo-Indian, unless he wishes to visit the tomb of Tamerlane, will not follow the line to its terminus, but will turn to the left, taking the train bound for the shores of the Caspian. The Transcaspian railway trains are not uncomfortable to travel in. Even a second-class ticket entitles one to the use of a bed and to admittance to the refreshment car. The passenger can stretch his legs by walking about all over the train, which privilege is highly to be valued on a long railway journey. Whenever he feels inclined he can stroll along into the refreshment car and get a draught of Crimean wine, beer of Kazan, or, if he wishes to follow the customs of the country he is passing through, he may drink *borchtch*, a local beverage made of sour milk. At Askhabad you can get excellent mutton cutlets and slices of the most delicious melons in the world. Such diversions will be the more appreciated, as the route to the Caspian is either extremely hot or extremely cold, according to the season of the year, and on the whole not very interesting. You have not much chance of an adventure by the way. There is little fear of the train being looted by Turcoman land pirates. The country is so well pacified that there is more chance of danger from running into a cavalcade of camels the drivers of which are very slow in mastering the fact that the railroad is not specially intended for their convenience. The train in which M. Boulanger travelled to Merv destroyed two fine camels after chasing them for some distance along the line. Near the Caspian the North-East wind sometimes blows with such tremendous force between the Great and Small Balkans that it can bring a train moving northwards to a dead stop. But no fatal accidents are reported as due to this cause.

Starting from Dopchak the train for Europe moves in a north-westerly direction through the oasis of Attek towards Askhabad. As you approach that important station you can see winding down from the Persian mountains on the left the road from Meshed, which, according to M. Boulanger, is the only route by which an English force from Persia could advance to cut the Russian communications between Merv and the Caspian. Such being the case it is satisfactory to learn that the Russians have in two years spent 150,000 roubles on the repair of the road. Near Askhabad everywhere may be seen small towers in which the inhabitants of the oasis of Akhal Teppe took refuge when their kinsmen from Merv made plundering inroads into their territory. Thirty miles north-west of Askhabad the train passes the fort of Geok Teppe, at last captured by Skobeleff after a sanguinary struggle in 1881, and finally after traversing the black sands of the desert of Karakoum deposits its passengers on the shores of the Caspian. The steamer takes you in twenty hours across the Caspian to the petroleum city of Baku. You are lucky if you have a quiet voyage across, for the Russian sailors declare that the Black Sea is worse than the Mediterranean, and that the Caspian is more dangerous than the Black Sea. Baku itself is notoriously ugly, but the railway on its course to Batoum, a distance of five hundred miles traversed in two days, passes through some of the finest scenery in the world. The train has to go slowly on account of the extremely mountainous character of the country. At one place it rises to the enormous height of nearly 5,000 feet above the level of the sea. The gradients are often very steep, sometimes as steep as 1 in 25 which is a more precipitous descent than could easily be found on any ordinary European or Indian railway. The Caspian slope of the isthmus between that sea and the Black Sea is much in want of the elaborate system of irrigation to which it formerly owed its productive powers. The Russians have in view an immense scheme of irrigation which has been planned by two English specialists. According to their calculation the carrying out of the scheme should cost 200 million of roubles and would add 1,200 million of roubles to the value of land in the isthmus. If this estimate is correct Transcaucasia is a promising field for speculative syndicates. But the wealth and beauty of the country have been so often described by the many travellers to Baku, that it has become familiar to us and need not be recounted in detail. From Batoum, the Northern terminus of the Transcaucasian railway, a steamer at present conveys passengers in three days to Odessa. Thus we have all the material necessary for easily calculating the length of time that the journey from India to London would take if the Bolan line were continued through Candahar and Herat to the Russian station of Dopchak. The seventeen hundred miles of railway between Quetta and Batoum would at an average of twenty miles an hour, the average at present generally maintained on Indian railways, take about three days and a half. If we add to this, say three days spent in crossing the Black Sea and the Caspian, Odessa would be reached from Quetta in six days and a half. Adding to this the journeys from Bombay to Quetta and from Odessa to London, we find that the Bombay mails might get to London in twelve days. Nor would this long be acquiesced in as the ultimate limit of rapid communication between India and Europe. A railway through the Euphrates Valley, Persia, and Beluchistan or any other railway that would save its passengers the time lost in crossing the Black Sea and Caspian would make the journey nearly two days shorter, so that looking as far as one can into the future we may anticipate that before the end of the present century, if the progress of the world is not suddenly arrested, Bombay will be no more than ten days distant from England.

ON the 5th of the present month the Government of India in the Home Department issued a resolution reviewing the provincial reports on the administration of jails in the year 1887. In the year in question there were 741 jails and lock-ups for the reception of prisoners, showing a reduction of thirteen district and subordinate jails as compared with the previous year, the number of central jails remaining the same. The number of prisoners when the year began was 76,738, a number which was reduced before the end of the year by about 800. Her Majesty's Jubilee occurred during the year, and increased the average of discharges. The number of male prisoners in the year amounted to 426,646, while the females numbered only 22,055. The number discharged for Jubilee and other reasons was 372,819, nearly 10,000 more than were discharged in 1886. Some 23,000 convicts were released on the occasion of the Jubilee, but only 6000 of these would have remained in prison till the close of the year if there had been no exceptional act of grace. It is mentioned as satisfactory that the clemency shown did not contribute in any considerable degree to the amount of crime in the year; in the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, out of 7,242 convicts liberated, only 174 found their way back to jail. Of the 9,412 women sent to jail more than half were sentenced to not more than a month. Nearly 6,000 were married women, and the widows were 2,675. The scarcity which prevailed in the North-West, the Punjaub and the Central Provinces added to the amount of petty crime amongst the agricultural classes, but on the whole the year showed a diminution in crime, though the material decline in sentences for transportation and death is chiefly attributed to the restoration of order in Burma. Several matters of interest respecting jail discipline are dealt with at length in the resolution, Mr. MacDonnell bringing together much suggestive information. The Governor-General in Council expresses the satisfaction of the Government at the substantial decline in the number of corporal punishments. The improvement is attributed to the admonitions of the Government, and it is pointed out that discipline in Indian jails is better now than when punishments were more numerous and more severe. His Excellency in Council calls attention, however, to a defect which requires speedy correction—that prisoners are still sometimes punished with whippings for very trivial offences.

SOME of the veteran examiners in Oriental Languages and Literature for the University have been superseded by others whose competency has to be tested by results. The change may be for better or for worse; but the public are entitled to know the reasons for the change. Now when several of the Oriental languages not recognised before have been admitted as second languages for examination, it becomes a question of some importance whether the local Syndicate possesses the special qualifications for the selection of efficient examiners in those languages. How many of the four Syndics in Arts have any acquaintance with Oriental languages, philology and literature? One gentleman among them is known to be an eminent scholar in Sanscrit. But there are other Oriental languages, such as Persian, Arabic, Zend, and Pehlvi, recognised second languages, with which not one of the gentlemen constituting the Syndicate is conversant. It would be a great pity to have the standard for Oriental languages lowered below that which is deemed essential in the case of English or other European language. Some years ago the examination in Oriental languages and literature was on a very low level indeed. Under the examiners now displaced a great improvement was enforced, not entirely it was understood to the satisfaction of Professors who were dismayed to find young men plucked in so recondite a branch of learning who had done fairly well in more fashionable subjects. But surely in an Indian University Oriental languages and literature when chosen, should be carefully studied and thoroughly mastered. There is some reason to apprehend that the change in the personnel of the examiners has been effected from a desire to make the Oriental bridge less difficult than it has hitherto been.

THE trial of Walter Hillier, Superintendent of the Cantonment Garden at Secunderabad, on a charge of abetting the unlawful disclosure of the contents of a telegraphic message, was concluded before the Hon. Mr. Justice Bayley and a common jury at the Criminal Sessions of the Bombay High Court yesterday. In the month of April last, the prisoner enlisted R. E. Snell, a private in Her Majesty's Hampshire Regiment of Foot, who served as a signaller in the Telegraph Department, at Secunderabad, if he could get for him telegrams relating to Abdul Huq; and if prisoner got him Rs. 5,000 as his reward, what share Snell would give him. The latter replied that he would give him "half." Under this alleged compact, about three weeks later, the prisoner was said to have obtained from Snell, on the 10th May last, a copy of a telegram sent by the British Resident from Bolarum to the Foreign Secretary to the Government of India at Simla, about the anxiety of the Nizam to have the sitting of the Parliamentary committee delayed until the arrival in London of the Nizam's agent. Three days later, namely, on the 13th May, the prisoner was alleged to have written a letter to the editor of the *Pioneer*, offering to supply that newspaper with telegrams relating to Abdul Huq, enquiring what he would be prepared to pay him, and in the event of the offer being accepted, asking him to send him his code. A postscript to the letter stated that the prisoner had several telegrams in his possession. The *Pioneer* people sent the letter, which gave the prisoner's real name and address, to the police authorities, who started

TELEGRAMS.

DISASTROUS FIRE AT SIMLA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, SEPT. 11.

A disastrous fire occurred at the new Club at Simla last night, by which the main building was burned to the ground. An alarm was raised at about half-past three, when the fire was found to have had a firm hold on the roof which burned with great rapidity. As it was impossible to save the building, every effort was made to save personal and the Club property, with considerable success. The Municipal fire-engine was at work by half-past four, but the hose could not be brought within fifty yards of the building, and relays of bhisties had to be employed. By the strenuous efforts of the residents and the police the new block of eighteen chambers was saved. Nothing has been discovered as to the origin of the fire, but an official enquiry will be held this afternoon. Fortunately the building was fully insured.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, SEPT. 11.

The new Club at Simla, says the *Pioneer*, was destroyed by fire this morning. Luckily the new block of domitories recently completed for Rs. 25,000 was saved. The Club is believed to be insured.

NEWS FROM AFGHANISTAN.

The latest report from Cabul is that the Amir's troops operating from Khinjan defeated a party of Ishak's cavalry south of Ghori, on the road to Heibak.

There are the usual contradictory statements as to the losses, but the Amir's official return gives 120 of the enemy as killed and wounded. The Herat province remains quiet, and no sympathy has been so far shown there for the rebels.

THE WESTERN INDIA RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The Western India Rifle Association holds its session this year as usual, from the 15th instant to the 31st December, but there are likely to be several changes in the season's programme. Thus instead of sixteen prizes the prospectus will probably show twenty with the aggregate value of each raised from Rs. 350 to Rs. 500, at the same time the entrance fees for native army matches will be lowered from Rs. 3 to Rs. 2, an appreciable boon to the sepoy.

Among the changes in points of detail will be the making compulsory of canvas targets in army and volunteer contests, a reduction of the size of target in the sportsman's match, the admission of the Martini carbine with points, and the introduction of the fewest misses rule in deciding ties.

H. E. LORD REAY.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, SEPT. 11.

His Excellency Lord Reay paid a return visit to Sardar Panse, C.S., this evening, at his residence, which was nicely decorated with bunting, flags and evergreens. Besides native music an English band was in attendance.

CRICKET AT POONA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, SEPT. 11.

The North *vs.* South cricket match was resumed this morning in wet weather. The rain fell heavily and interrupted play several times, and finally rendered a postponement till to-morrow absolutely necessary. Wilkins and Barton, overnight not outs, played well, Barton being dismissed for 47 and Wilkins for 69. Holland, who followed, made 4, Bailey 41, Talbot 7, Kennedy 24, Mainwaring 2, Schneider 0, Carnegie 28, Challoner 5. The last wicket fell shortly before 4-30 p.m. for 249 to the bowling of Muir-Mackenzie and Clowes who were the principal bowlers to-day. Play will be resumed at 10-30 a.m. to-morrow.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

THE MAILS.

ADEN. SEPT. 11.

The P. and O. Co.'s s. s. Clyde, with homeward English mails, arrived here, at 9 a.m., yesterday.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

LONDON, SEPT. 10.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Henzada left here for Bombay and Kurrachee on the evening of 8th inst.

PORT SAID, SEPT. 10.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s steamer Navarino, outward bound for Calcutta, Madras, and Colombo, left here this morning.

SUEZ, SEPT. 10.

The P. and O. Co.'s steamer Mirzapore arrived here from Colombo yesterday morning.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, SEPT. 10.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed firm. Surats more business at hardening rates.

Good Fair Dhollera	4⅜

Tee Manchester Market has been firm in sympathy with Cotton.

Exchange on India, 30 days' sight	1s. 4d.
2½ per cent. Consols for account	99
4½ per cent. French Rentes	106
4 per cent. Rupee Paper	68½
4½ per cent. ,,	71¼
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan	104⅜
Bar Silver	42½

TELEGRAPHIC LINE REPORT.

(SEPTEMBER 11.)

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION.

GREAT BRITAIN.—*Via* Teheran, perfect. *Via* Turkey, perfect. *Via* Suez, perfect.
CONTINENT OF EUROPE.—*Via* Teheran, perfect. *Via* Turkey, perfect. *Via* Suez, perfect.
AMERICA.—*Via* Brest, perfect. *Via* Valentia, perfect. *Via* Direct Cable, perfect.
AUSTRALIA.—*Via* Penang, perfect. *Via* Amoor, perfect.
CHINA.—*Via* Penang, perfect. *Via* Amoor, perfect.
Communication with Aden restored.

THERMOMETER READINGS.

MONDAY NIGHT, SEPT. 10.

10 p.m.	80·9

TUESDAY, SEPT. 11.

6 a.m.	76·0
10 a.m.	81·6
2 p.m.	80·4
4 p.m.	80·4

MAGIC ASTHMA CURE! MESSRS. COOPER, MADON & Co., LD.—I have recommended your specific as being a radical cure.—P. M. Cabral. Your "Magic Cure" for Asthma has perfectly cured me of the complaint.—E. D'Costa. Your "Magic Cure" did me a great deal of good.—Mrs. Evans. Re. 1 and Re. 1-12 per bottle. Sole Proprietors: COOPER, MADON & Co., Ld.

NOTES FROM BELGAUM.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

BELGAUM, SEPT. 9.

Our weather prophet prophesied false, for our sunshine is still in the ascendant. There are clouds hovering about to-day, and bringing back to one's recollection the grilling days of the hot weather. All the troops appeared in white uniform at the Parade service on Sunday, and those who did not don light apparel must have felt most uncomfortably moist, quite in the condition of the "Dewy family"—*vide* "Poor Miss Finch," I think. Other places, Poona for instance, are having such a gay season that we poor Belgaumites are half ashamed to mention our little attempts at being "gay and festive." This week there has been an effort after waking up. Sky Races were held on Thursday and Saturday, and performances by the Belgaum Amateur Dramatic Society given on the same nights. Thursday was rainy rather, and the races not over lively. Yesterday a great improvement was experienced in every way. There were only three events, the first beginning at 4-30 p.m. No. 1 was :—

"THE BELGAUM HANDICAP."—Distance, ½ mile. For all ponies 13-3 and under. Rs. 49. Entrance 5.

Mr. Mouat's w a p Shumal, 11st., Mr. Molesworth... 1
Mr. Brocklehurst's b ob p Titus, 9st. 10lb., Capt. Stisted 0
Mr. Cook-Hurle's c a p Caliph, 9st. 10lb., Owner..... 0

"THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE."—Distance, 3 furlongs. A Handicap for all ponies 13-2 and under. Rs. 49. Entrance, Rs. 5.

Capt. Elger's b ob g David, 11st. 4lb., Mr. Cook-Hurle 1
Capt. Napier's g ob p Boh Shway, 10st. 13lb., Mr. Braithwaite 2
Capt. Stisted's g a p Minting, 10st. 7lb., Mr. Wilkinson 3

This was a close race between Mr. Braithwaite and Mr. Cook-Hurle, and was won by hardly a neck by the latter.

"THE GRAND MILITARY."—¾ mile, over 4 flights. A Handicap Hurdle Race for all ponies 13-3 and under. Rs. 49. Entrance, Rs. 5.

Mr. Cook-Hurle's c a p Caliph, 11st. 4lb., Owner..... 1
Mr. MacGregor's b a p Persia, 9st. 12lb., Mr. Wilkinson 2
Mr. Brocklehurst's b ob p Titus, 10st. 12lb., Capt. Prichard 3

Captain Prichard's pony refused the very first jump, consequently he was out of the race altogether. Mr. Cook-Hurle won easily.

The weather was perfectly clear, and there blew such a "chilly blast" as the evening drew on that wraps of the warmest description were a *sine qua non*. The Somerset band was in attendance, and by not a little helped to enliven the evening's proceedings.

Now for the other event of the week, the theatricals, I can only give you the programme and the prologue. The latter so good an adaptation of the great William—or Bacon, which? that perhaps in the dim future Belgaum may lay claim to have numbered among its residents a poet of vast renown, now lying *perdu* amongst us, but by no means even now unknown to fame. I will refrain from any criticism, although rarely have amateurs had less to fear.

I give below the cast of the two plays, and the prologue :—

AS LIKE AS TWO PEAS.

Mr. Richards, (*A Lawyer*)	Capt. Prichard.
Mr. Pritchards, (*A Contractor*)	Major Nugent.
Philip, (*Servant to Richard*)	Mr. Jhonstone.
Mrs. Richards	Mrs Mouat.
Mrs Pritchards	Mrs Ansley.

FISH OUT OF WATER.

Steward	Mr Johnstone.
John	Mr Johnson.
Sam Savory	Mr Swayne.
Sir George Courtley	Capt. Napier.
Alderman Gayfare	Mr. L. W. Fox.
Charles Gayfare	Mr Braithwaite.
Ellen, Courtley	Mrs Pinhey.
Lucy	Mrs Ansley

PROLOGUE.

To act or not to act—that was the question ;
Whether t'was nobler in the mess to lounge
Smoking the mild cheroot, imbibing pegs,
Make one at Pool, and so, perchance, to suffer
The slings and arrows of outrageous flukes :
Or to emerge, from out the sea of sloth,
By show of energy, dispel th' "ennui"
And melancholy wrought by damp,
And by opposing end them ; act a Farce
Or two—no more ; and, by this means, to cure
The liver, biliousness and other ills
Our Belgaum flesh is heir to—t'was an end
Devoutly to be wished—to act—succeed,
Succeed ; perchance to fail. Ay—there's the rub,
For, in that play, if memory should fail,
We'll shuffle through and spoil some telling speech,
Or else will come a pause—and then,—to fail
Would make calamity of all our lives,
For who could bear your scorn—your angry looks,
The Press critique, the general's contumely
The pangs of disprized talent—weak applause,
The insolence of chaff th' unworthy takes,
When we ourselves might simply stay at home,
(And so avoid the chance of irony)
With soothing pipe and book—who would rehearse
And rant and rave, long weary evenings through,
But that the hope of pleasing you, and so
Winning your approbation, urges us
Rather to crave indulgence, for our Play,
Than hide those faults you'll soon know of :
'Tis shyness doth make cowards of us all ;
Strengthen, we pray, our native resolution,
Now rosied o'er by the encheering thought,
You'll not too harshly judge our enterprize
But hear us out, and where you can applaud
Our mimic actions—Friends you all are friends
Be lenient ; you know us—know us well :
Remember only good points—now farewell.

THE NEW PERSIAN CONSUL-GENERAL.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

SHIRAZ, AUG. 12.

H. E. HAJEE MIRZA HOSSEIN KHAN, who has been appointed Persian Consul-General in Bombay in succession to H. E. Mirza Hossein Ghooly Khan, arrived in Shiraz about a fortnight ago, and left for Bombay *via* Bushire on the 7th inst., to assume the duties of his post. His Excellency is accompanied by his sons Mirza Ally Mahomed Khan and Mirza Mahomed Ally Khan. He has held several responsible posts under the Persian Government and was once Consul-General at Constantinople. This gentleman had travelled a good deal in Europe, speaks French fluently, and has translated several books in that language into Persian. H. E. Hajee Mirza Hossein Khan is first assistant at the Persian Foreign Office at Teheran. His father was Hajee Mirza Mass-oud, formerly Persian Minister for Foreign Affairs, his mother being the Zea-e-Saltaneh (the Light of the Kingdom) one of the elder daughters of H. I. M. Fathally Shah. He is therefore a grandson of that Monarch.

As a change from the discussion whether marriage is a failure, some one has started the question in the London papers whether tobacco is deleterious. A medical correspondent opens the ball in the *Times* with the following letter :—"Having found, in the course of my private practice and that of the hospital, a marked increase in cases of malignant throat diseases, I, together with some of my colleagues, have made some very careful researches into the causes of this, and, finding that males were almost exclusively affected, led us on the track that smoking was in a great many instances the primary cause. I am not by any means one of those who consider the pipe, a cigar, or the ordinary cigarrette injurious ; but am persuaded that the cigarrette imported from Egypt or Turkey is mixed, presumably to give it a peculiar taste or flavour, with some insidious poison. I am led to this conclusion by a careful analysis of both the home manufacture and that of the foreign ; in the latter a large proportion of opium and an unclassified alkaloid was manifest, which was totally absent in the former, and it will be obvious that an irritant poison constantly brought into contact with the region of, perhaps, the most sensitive part of the human orgnization is calculated to bring about trouble. I will not trespass on your space to go into further minutiæ, or give a lengthy account of the experiments that resulted in the conclusions arrived at ; suffice it for the present, that I venture to address you in order to caution the pulic against a serious danger that lurks in their midst."

THE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL EXAMINATION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—In my letter to you of the 4th instant I made certain assertions in connection with the subject of the University medical examination. I pointed out that (1) almost all the professors in the Grant Medical College are generally appointed examiners ; (2) that the number of examiners in the Grant College being small, outsiders have to be taken ; but these outsiders are mostly service men ; (3) that Syndics are appointed examiners in spite of a well understood practice to the contrary ; and (4) that service men have the monopoly of every thing that is worth having for a medical man, and lead the Government where they like. I also tried to show what effects this state of things is calculated to produce and does produce on the growth of medical education and the profession in this presidency. Your correspondent "F. R. C. S.," in stead of showing to the public whether or not my assertions are based on facts, and whether the effects I have mentioned are really produced or not, takes to a line of argument which has very little to do with my contension. The facts and figures that he has made use of are placed before the public in such a way that they are calculated more to mislead than to enlighten them on the real points at issue, and I leave it to them to judge how much reliance should be placed on a method which represents the facts in the following manner :—Now I find that among the sixteen examiners appointed to the various examinations in medicine in L.M. and S. there are seven M. D.'s, three M. B.'s, five M. C.'s, three F. R. C. S.'s, one M. R. C. P., besides holders of various arts and science degrees, i.e., though there are only sixteen examiners, the sum total of the M. D.'s, M. B.'s, &c., is nineteen plus various arts and science degrees.

However, as it would be very tedious and uninteresting to the public to have a further analysis of his figures I shall confine myself only to the points raised by me, leaving the public to judge between the two. Out of all the ten professors of the Grant College seven are appointed examiners this year, i. e. 70 per cent. excepting the two examiners in chemistry, who are as much examiners in connection with the faculties of arts and science as with that of medicine. There are fourteen examiners in all in medical examinations. Out of these fourteen eleven are service men, i. e. 78·56 per cent. In other words 70 per cent. of professors are examiners, and 78·56 per cent. of examiners are service men. "F. R. C. S." seems to lay great stress on the higher qualifications of examiners, but it is open to grave doubts whether for the sake of a mere idea it is a sound policy to place round men in square holes. Looking over the list of examiners it will be seen that the whole arrangement is a makeshift, and that no regard whatever seems to have been paid to the aptitude of examiners in their several subjects. "F. R. C. S." quietly passed over the point of the appointment of a Syndic as an examiner.

A successful crow is a wise crow! is a proverb among the natives, and it is no wonder if "F. R. C. S." calls himself and his colleagues in the Indian Medical Department better men on some such principle, because by accident they are in possession of things which ought to have been reserved for men better than themselves. But with, people of the stamp of "F. R. C. S." possession is nine points of the law. Let the service examination be held in India and then it will be easy to judge what will become of these "better men!" I might mention in passing that those who are plucked in Bombay find it no difficult thing to get into the service. It is no new information to the public to be told that "as to the professorships of the Grant College and Indian Medical University the Indian Medical Department started the college and have worked it ever since," but that which is of greater importance to the public is whether the institution has been worked well or not. Looking to the past history, as well as the present working of the Grant College, one can safely say that the arrangement of entrusting the medical education to military surgeons has proved to be a complete failure. With a few honourable exceptions the Indian Medical Department have not supplied the college with able men of scientific reputation ; nor have they allowed others to advance by having monopolized every thing that would enable them to advance. In the eyes of the members of this department interests of the public and the profession are subordinate to their own. College posts are regarded by them not as places of great responsibility and trust, but simply as places that bring more coins into their pockets and ensure their promotion, and though it is disagreeable, I cannot help saying that, as a rule, professors of the Grant Medical College are men of medical talents, little knowledge and little or no breadth of mind, and are not fitted to utilize the splendid resources at their disposal. As to their aptitude to teach much has been said during the late discussion on the M. B. question, and it would be a mere repetition to say that the teaching in the Grant College is inefficient, and that no student in the world would tolerate lectures of the kind delivered in the Grant College, were it not for the fact that there is only one college in Bombay and that professors are appointed examiners, and it is to such men as these that the medical education of the first city in India has been entrusted. Unless the college is organised on quite a different and more liberal plan, the future of medical science in this Presidency will not be bright.

Sept. 11. M. D.

THE GINSENG.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Your correspondent, Mr. R Frank, has, in your issue of the 5th instant, supplemented my remarks on the above plant, but in the interests of science, I beg leave to again encroach upon your valuable space.

Mr. Frank states that the plant is a climber and a native of Chinese Tartary, but now naturalised in North America, while it is a fact that the plant is an erect herbaceous perennial (according to De Candolle, annual) and a native of the greater part of Northern Asia, the American plant being of a different, though nearly allied, species. The mistake is, however, easily explained, as earlier botanists as Linne, Willdenow, De Candolle, Wight, &c., all attributed the Ginseng to Panax quinquefolium L., by which name two now separated species, the North American Panax quinquefolium L. and the North-Asian Panax ginseng, C. A. Meyer, were described as one. My previous remarks referred to the letter only, and were partly founded on the information given in Loudon's Encyclopædia of Plants, Loudon, 1841, p. 872-73, from which source your correspondent's supplementary remarks are evidently derived.

Further reference to the same subject is found in Wight's Illustrations of Indian Botany, II., p. 60, viz., "The Gensing (Panax quinquefolium), the root of which is an agreeable sweet, with some aromatic pungency, has a prodigious reputation among the Chinese as a stimulant and restorative, but by Europeans and Americans is considered nothing more than a demulcent-approaching liquorice in its qualities." (Lindley.) The same author justly remarks, "This, however, requires further investigation, for we cannot believe all that the Chinese say, believe and practise is fabulous or imaginary." If we look back to the medical history of sarsaparilla, now so much and deservedly esteemed as a remedial agent, though thirty years ago much contemned, the sensible properties and mode of administration of which greatly resembles Gensing, we will perhaps find an explanation of this difference. This supposition seems the more probable, as American writers compare Aralia nudicaulis, another plant of the order, with sarsaparilla and affirm it to be as valuable a medicine. These cases serve to show that we ought not to hastily reject popular medicines merely on the strength of rough chemical analysis, or because their operation is so imperceptible that they produce no very obvious effect on the human constitution, until they have been administered continuously for some length of time.

(Anent the abovementioned Aralia nudicaulis the following information is given in Lindley's and Moore's "Treasury of Botany" : "The roots of A nudicaulis, another North-American herbaceous species, were formerly imported and sold for sarsaparilla, and they are stated to be used by the Crees, under the name of rabbit-root, as a remedy against syphilis and also as an application for recent wounds.)

With reference to the American Panax quinquefolium L. Dr. Master states that the roots are exported to China, but not so highly valued as the indigenous plant. London says that the French in Canada use this root for curing the asthma and as a stomachic.

The many species and varieties of Panax that are commonly cultivated in Bombay gardens all possess aromatic properties. Their stems, petioles and leaves have an agreeable, refreshing but slightly pungent taste.

The nearly allied "Udo" of Japan, Aralia edulis (Sieb. and Zuic. fl. jap. I, 57 t 25), is in that country cultivated for its edible roots and young shoots, which are said to be delicious vegetables.—Yours, &c.,

G. CARSTENSEN.

Victoria Gardens, 10th Sept., 1888.

TO THE DEAF.

A PERSON CURED of DEAFNESS and NOISES in the head of 23 years' standing by a simple Remedy will send a description of it free to any person who applies to J. H. NICHOLSON, 5 Old Court House Street, Calcutta.

THE BOMBAY UNIVERSITY SENATE.

The Senate of the Bombay University reassembled on Monday evening to dispose of the remaining business on the agenda. The Rev. Dr. Mackichan, the Vice-Chancellor, was in the chair.

SIR JAMES FERGUSSON SCHOLARSHIPS.

Dr. Edalji Nusserwanji's notice of motion with regard to the acceptance of these scholarships and the adoption of the Syndicate's regulations awarding them was the first item of business. The mover at first asked leave to withdraw his motion, as the Syndicate were, he understood, about to make certain amendments in one of the rules awarding the scholarships to make it more definite. He promised to bring the subject up for consideration as soon as the modifications were made.

Professor Peterson suggested that the mover might drop the second part of his motion with regard to the Syndicate's regulations, but move the acceptance of the endowment.

Dr. Edalji then moved that, as recommended by the Syndicate, the offer of Rs. 23,500 for the foundation of the Sir James Fergusson Scholarships be accepted with the best thanks of the Senate. He remarked that the endowment would preserve an honourable record of the connection of Sir James as Vice-Chancellor of the University in a manner which would be most pleasing to him as well as to the University. The Syndicate had suggested the distribution of the money in founding scholarships in the B.A. and B.Sc. degrees, and another to be conferred on a female candidate passing her second examination in medicine.

Dr. Cowasji seconded the motion, and it was unanimously agreed to accept the money with the best thanks of the Senate.

Dr. Edalji then proposed that the question with regard to the regulations awarding the scholarships be referred back to the Syndicate. This was also agreed to.

THE MANDLICK GOLD MEDAL.

The Hon'ble Mr. Justice Jardine then proposed that, as recommended by the Syndicate, the offer of Rs. 6,050 for the foundation of the Rao Saheb V. N. Mandlick, C.S.I., Gold Medal to be awarded to a graduate of not more than ten years' standing for the best essay on some subject connected with Sanskrit literature be accepted with the best thanks of the Senate. The honourable mover remarked that it was a most pleasing duty to him to move the Senate's acceptance of this second offer from liberal donors of this city to the cause of learning and high education, which in the University they had always adhered to and considered to be their principal object to place on one great footing all classes of the community. He then recalled to the mind of the meeting the circumstances under which the offer had been made by the friends and admirers of the Rao Saheb, at a meeting in the Mahaleo Baugh, to commemorate his long connection with the University and the deep interest he always took in the cause of education. The Rao Saheb was one of the first Elphinstonians, and the foundation of this memorial was keeping up a connection with the most famous Governor we ever had named, Mounstuart Elphinstone, whom they all know, was the first who saw the enormous advantage of higher education above all other kinds of education, and in the times when higher education was thought hardly a thing to be given to the natives. It was his far-seeing mind which determined on that policy which subsequently led to the founding of the University in the days when his nephew was Governor. The hon'ble gentleman then referred to the eminent services of the Rao Saheb, not only in the advancement of Sanskrit literature, but in the city and in the University of Bombay. The Syndicate had taken care to ascertain the exact intentions of the donors when considering the regulations, and he might state that these had received the approval of the founders.

Dr. Atmaram having seconded the proposition, it was agreed to *nem. con.*

ZEND AND PEHLVI AS OPTIONAL LANGUAGES.

Dr. Edalji Nusserwanji next proposed that, as recommended by the Syndicate, Zend and Pehlvi be together recognized as an optional second language for the M.A. The proposer said that sometime ago this introduction had been urged by Mr. Mody and by Professor Darmsteter, and they based their recommendation on several grounds. The languages were the sacred languages of the Parsees, who formed the greater part of the students graduating, and it was nothing but fair that they should have the same facilities as the Hindus, Mahomedans, and Jews who were allowed the language of their scriptures as the second optional language. The scientific importance of the languages had been now realized all over Europe, and they were studied in continental Universities, where it was also recognized that Bombay was the only place best fitted in the world where the languages could best be studied. Mentioning other advantages, Dr. Edalji also referred to the action of the Syndicate in resolving to recommend to the Senate the recognition of these languages as an optional study.

Mr. Jeevanjee J. Mody seconded the proposal with a few remarks.

Professor Peterson asked them to allow a professor of Sanskrit to welcome the adoption of Zend and Pehlvi in the University. He observed that scholars all over the world watched with great interest the fate of these languages, as there was no place in the world where their study could be prosecuted with more advantage than in Bombay. Dr. Peterson then read the following remarks of Professor Darmsteter on the subject, he had been written to and replied in the following terms.

"As very likely I shall be not present to take part in the discussion that will take place in the Senate, if the Syndicate will take that proposition into consideration, I beg to state briefly, as a fellow of the Bombay University, why, if present, I should vote for its adoption.

"The interest which Zend and Pehlvi have for the Parsees, as the languages of their sacred books, is evident of itself, and it is but fair that the Parsees should find in the University the same encouragement and the same help for the study of those languages as the Hindus, the Musulmans and the Jews find for the study of Sanscrit, Arabic or Hebrew.

"The scientific importance of that study is recognised all over Europe, and those languages are thought and studied in all the Universities of the Continent. Bombay is better fitted than any place in the world for the development of Zend and Pehlvi studies, and Parsees are better prepared for them than Europeans, by the advantages of birth and education. They have not yet availed, or been induced to avail themselves sufficiently of those natural advantages. It may be hoped that the measure proposed will work that way and create amongst the Parsees a real movement of scientific research.

"The fear has been expressed lest the introduction of French as second subject should injure the prospects of Persian. Whether that fear is justified or not, the introduction of Zend and Pehlvi will procure such consequences, as no serious study of Zend and Pehlvi is possible without a serious study of Persian. It is to be noticed that to this day the study of French has been popular only with the Parsees, that is to say, the very same students who can hardly dispense with Persian.

"It may be hoped that some students will take to the joint study of Zend and Sanscrit, which in Europe has been so fruitful of discoveries on the oldest history of the Aryan race that study may awaken in them disinterested curiosity and widen their scientific horizon.

"These are the principal reasons for which I believe that the introduction of Zend and Pehlvi languages for the higher examinations is a measure likely to benefit the University."

The proposition was put and carried unanimously.

THE SIND ARTS COLLEGE.

In accordance with the notice he gave the Hon. Mr. Justice Jardine moved that, as recommended by the Syndicate, the Sind Arts College be recognized for the purposes of the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science from the beginning of the past term. The mover having spoken in favour of the motion, dwelling on the high advancement of the Sind College at Karachi, the proposition was put to the meeting. It was seconded by Dr. Cowasji and agreed to unanimously.

The Senate then dissolved.

An American paper says Mrs. Langtry will, in all probability, retire to private life after the fulfilment of the contracts already made for her coming season. She went upon the stage to make money, and has made it. From reliable sources it is learned that her wealth is not far from 1,000,000 dollars. Her commission to her late manager, George Keogh, who is now in Europe to look up and buy for her a new play is significant, it is said, only in so far as it is an investment. When she does begin her work it is probable that she will follow her usual custom of buying property in every town where she appears that she believes to be a thriving place.

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MILITARY NEWS.

In order to ensure the safety of men working in the butts on rifle ranges, the Commander-in-Chief has been pleased to lay down the following supplementary instructions for the guidance of Officers Commanding Corps, British and Native, using canvas targets :—I. The sounding of any unauthorised calls or note in place of the regulation "Cease fire" and "Commence fire" is strictly forbidden. II. When markers are out examining or are patching a target all firing must cease upon that particular range. III. The target, when not a fixture, shall always be brought well behind the butt previous to examination and patching out. IV. When the target has to be made a fixture, either owing to strong winds or to the working gear having got out of order, or from any other cause, the rules in force for iron targets are to be strictly observed in their entirety. V. Additional shelter is to be provided by prolonging the side walls of centre butts and of the inner walls of the flank butts towards and, if practicable, up to the rails of the target trolly. Iron targets may be utilised for this purpose, in default of which wooden planks or a mud wall will serve equally well. Under such conditions a marker will be more thoroughly protected whilst hauling in the target, and less liable to run risks by looking round the corner of his butt.

THE Government of India, in noticing the slow progress made in passing men from the Native Army to the Reserve, have expressed a wish that the Commander-in-Chief will adopt such measures as he may deem necessary for the acceleration of the process. Corps in excess of strength are not to make further enlistments until their numbers have been reduced to the fixed establishment, but this order will not apply to Gurkha battalions. Orders to stop recruiting in those regiments lately returned from Burma over strength have also been issued.

COLONEL C. E. NEWPORT, Royal (late Bombay) Artillery, has retired on a pension of £600 per annum, with an extra annuity of £280.

THE 7th Dragoon Guards hold a regimental "week" at Umballa from 1st October to commemorate the bi-centenary of the corps, which was raised as the Black Horse in the year of the Revolution. The occasion will be celebrated by shooting matches of all sorts, ergeants' dances, sports, and theatricals.

THE SUB-CONTRACTOR'S EXPLANATION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—As a member of one of the firms named in Dr. Waters' letter to the chairman of the Town Council, published in your report of the Town Council's proceedings at their meeting of the 28th ultimo, which rather insinuates than alleges the existence of sundry irregularities in connection with the Tansa Water Works, and which you subsequently honoured with a leading article, I ask you to insert this letter in your columns.

Dr. Waters, under the impression that something had transpired in a Small Cause Court suit still *sub-judice* which it was the duty of the Town Council to notice, and without taking any steps or trouble to verify his surmises, rushes into the Council room with what he persuades himself is a heavy indictment of various persons connected with the construction of the Tansa Water Works, and among others my firm.

The contract for the construction of the line of duct from the Tansa Lake to Ghaut Cooper, a distance of about forty-seven miles, is with Messrs. Walshe, Lovett, Mitchell and Company. The work includes eight tunnels, three of which, Nos. 2, 4, and 7, will be the longest made in India, being respectively one and a half mile, half mile, and three-quarter of a mile in length. The other tunnels range in lengths from 200 to 1,200 feet. These tunnels constitute a large and important part of the contract. The contractors requiring for this work the services of a tunnelling specialist sub-let this portion of their contract to Col. Beaumont, who had for some time been in India.

I afterwards, with the cognizance and approval of Mr. Clerke, the Chief Municipal Engineer, undertook the work of making two of the larger, and two of the smaller tunnels, the work being homogeneous in character, that of making big holes through rock, &c., and not comprising masonry or any other work which could be scamped or defectively executed. The deposit of Rs. 3,000 paid by my firm to Col. Beaumont was considered ample security for the due performance of the work. Knowing that the rate at which I had undertaken the work would admit of my also subletting it on terms profitable as well to my sub-contractors as to myself, I sub-let it accordingly.

Supposing, however, Col. Beaumont had taken his contract at a loss, and sub-let his work or some portion of it to me at a lower rate than his own, and I again had given the work to my sub-contractors at a still lower rate, I fail to see how the fact that the sub-contractors had made bad bargains, and were losing money, could possibly justify any interference on the part of the Municipality so long as the work progressed satisfactorily, as it admittedly does, and if Messrs. Walshe, Lovett, and Mitchell, the principal contractors, do not and cannot complain, why should Dr. Waters vex himself about it?

As the Small Cause Court suit is still before the Judge, I will not now discuss its merits.

If, as is stated in your editorial, Col. Beaumont took possession of No. 7 tunnel at the head of a number of men armed with crowbars, did he not thereby bring himself within the provisions of section 144 of the Indian Penal Code?

I will say no more at present further than ask your readers to suspend their judgment on this "storm in a teapot," pending the publication of the Municipal Commissioner's report and the disposal of the now famous Small Cause Court suit.—Yours, &c.,

Sept. 11. CHAS. J. GREENGRASS.

EXAMINERS' MISTAKES

THE ED OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—From the proceedings of the Bombay University Senate, recently published in your paper, I find that after mentioning Dr. Bentley's case, and laying before the meeting a few passages from the admirable judgment of Chief Justice Pratt, the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Nanabhai Haridas was prevented from mentioning two other instructive historical cases by the Vice-Chancellor's opinion on a point of order. Having the curiosity to know what those cases were, I asked him for information, and as I believe there are other persons similarly circumstanced I send you the information I got for publication.

One of those cases was in connection with the University of London. In 1861 there was a gold medal to be competed for. It was to be awarded to such candidate as might obtain the highest number of marks at the LL.D. Examination for that year. The examination took place as usual, and the examiners declared the result. By an error on the part of the examiners, candidate A was declared entitled to the medal instead of candidate B, according to the conditions prescribed by the University. One of the examiners happened at the time to be doubtful as to the correctness of the result, but being more modest than strict, concurred with his colleagues in adjudging the prize. The medal was accordingly awarded, candidate B remaining perfectly ignorant as to the incorrectness of the result. Two years after this the error was discovered by the University Senate who, be it said to their credit, lost no time in proceeding to rectify it, and remedy the injustice done to candidate B. Let it be noted here that their action was perfectly spontaneous, prompted solely by an Englishman's sense of justice. They passed a resolution declaring the examiners' result to be incorrect, and determining to grant another medal of the same value as for that year. This coming to the knowledge of candidate A, he applied to the Court of Chancery for an injunction, restraining the University from doing what they intended. A's application was rejected. For further particulars see 33, *Law Journal* (New Series), Chancery, p. 625. May I ask how many errors of examiners has the Senate of the Bombay University discovered during the last thirty years?

The other case relates to the University of Oxford. It occurred in the beginning of this year. It has not yet appeared, and may possibly not appear at all, in the English Law Reports. But circumstances connected with it have appeared in the *Times*, 8th, 9th and 10th February, 1888, and in the *Oxford Magazine*, 18th January, 1888, pp. 153 to 156. The facts are very simple, but the principle involved in the case is very important. According to a rule of the University certain examiners were expected to join in a particular *viva voce* examination. One of such examiners, Professor Ray Lankester, considered the rule to be useless, and that he might safely absent himself while his colleagues conducted the examination. He acted accordingly, and the Vice-Chancellor dismissed him from his office of examiner. He applied to the Queen's Bench Division for a *mandamus* to restore him to his office, and the Court held that the examiner was in error, and that the Vice-Chancellor was right.

The more such facts are known and the more similar errors are avoided by those concerned the better for all. The financial condition of the University will, for years to come, be such as to prevent its indulging in expensive litigation in court, and one may very well doubt whether any attempt, as in Rukhmabai's case, to raise a "University Defence Fund" would succeed.

ONE OF THE PUBLIC.

THE GAVEL STREET NUISANCE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—It strikes me as very strange that, in these days of liberal Municipal Government, a large and thickly inhabited street, such as the Gavel Street, which holds its situation in the centre of the native town, should be entirely neglected and ignored by our Municipality for many a year, both as regards the metalling of its roads and their sanitary condition. In order that an approximate idea may be formed as to the continued state of its roads during the four months of the rainy season, it is but right to state that it presents the most horrible appearance of a stagnant pool of dirt and water. The main road is further pulled and dug out by the traffic of the vehicles which pass over it daily. If the condition of its main road and bye-lanes be such as above described, there will then be little room to doubt of the insanitary condition of the locality. It is needless to mention that the decomposition of the filthy dirt in that street, continually for four months in a year, must necessarily produce a stock of effluvia sufficient to spread over the whole town, and to sow the seed of various epidemic diseases of a virulent type. At any rate, it will not be thought an imaginary idea were the sicknesses prevailing in that street and the localities in its vicinity, so be traced partially to that existing nuisance, which is a fruitful cause of generation. To enable the Municipal authorities to ascertain the extent of the said nuisance, it would be advisable for them to pay a visit to the street in question, and have an ocular demonstration of the fact. Before the local self-government scheme had come into operation the roads of this street were macadam, and every year, for sometime, carefully put into thorough repair—a statement to which the Municipal record can bear testimony. Thus it is impossible to find a cause for the continued neglect of this particular street, when all the other streets and localities can easily secure for themselves a liberal support from the Municipal exchequer. The privileges of lighting, water-supply, &c., are accorded to the inhabitants of this street in common with other ratepayers ; and the reason why they should not be relieved from the road nuisance, as was formerly done by the then Municipal authorities, is not apparent. Under these circumstances it is hoped that you will oblige a large community of tax-payers by moving the Municipal authorities to bestow their early consideration, before the close of the season for road repairing, to the evil herein brought to notice, under which many a family is groaning from month to month and year to year.

Sept. 11. A RATEPAYER.

CRICKET.

ATHLETIC CLUB (Y. M. C. A.) *VS.* INDIAN MARINE C. CLUB.

A CRICKET-MAT

"IS MARRIAGE A FAILURE."

A REPRESENTATIVE of the *Pall Mall Gazette* has had an interview with Mrs. Mona Caird, the lady whose article on marriage in the Westminster started the recent discussion.

Mrs. Caird, the interviewer says, is pleasant to look upon and until she speaks she might pass for a mere society lady with the best of them. Nor would any one suspect that this bright and lively figure in sage green was capable of seriously proposing to revolutionize the ancient and holy estate of matrimony. But when Mrs. Caird begins to talk then you perceive that she is by no means a mere society lady, but an eager, impatient idealist, in flaming revolt against the wrongs, the abuses, and the horrors which exist around us. After a long talk the deepest impression left on my mind was that her attitude was largely due to her intense realisation of the grim atrocity of the sufferings of wife compelled to concede the rights of a husband to one who had ceased to be an object of affection. To her eager and sympathetic nature such a position seems the supreme abomination, and the halo that is cast by religion and convention over this life-long sacrifice of all that is deepest and most sacred in womanhood excites in her a shuddering horror. Can there be anything more horrible than enforced cohabitation? She asks, and she answers her own question in the negative. That seems to be her starting point, which is to her what the sale of indulgences was to Luther at the dawn of the Reformation. "This at least cannot be right. Ecclesiastical and religious and social sanctions, which hallow this supreme degradation of womanhood, condemn themselves by the consecration which they bestow upon infamy," and Mrs. Caird, her soul blazing up in passionate revolt, has no option but to protest against this crying crime.

"I must protest," said Mrs. Caird, "against being judged, not by what I have written, but what the *Daily Telegraph* has written about what I have written. Especially do I object to its being supposed that I have advocated free love, a phrase which is usually held to be synonymous with the promiscuity which is the note of barbarism."

"Then what you advocate is——"

"Is not so-called free love, but free marriage. The marriage bound as at present construed and enforced seems to me so often to sin against the central principles of marriage that it is necessary to revise the contract."

"So that is why you would marry by the month?"

"What a calumny! I am as much in favour of life-long marriage as any one. It is the highest form of monogamy, and monogamy is the highest form of the union of the sexes that civilization has brought about. But the lifelong marriage which I advocate should be the marriage which is free, and not enforced, the union of two who remain one because they are one, instead of being two discordant natures bound together in the same terms and with much the same result as if you chained together a cat and a dog."

"Then would you have marriage dissoluble by consent?—of either or of both?"

"My ideal of marriage is that it should be a free contract, entered into freely by persons who are of full age and intelligence to understand its meaning and its responsibilities; and that this contract should specify the grounds on which either party might have it annulled."

"That is to say, you would substitute leasehold marriage for the marriage Sacrament. You would take a wife or a husband as you take a house, for a term of years or for life, with clauses in the covenant stipulating that it shall become null and void under this, that, or the other condition?"

"I have no objection to any one who prefers the sacramental idea of marriage adhering to it as much as he pleases. But for those who do not take that view of marriage, for those who have lost their faith in the supernatural, and base their institutions upon natural and scientific data, what you nickname leasehold marriage seems to me desirable."

"You would prefer that every couple should make their own Divorce Act?"

"Practically so."

"But what about the children?"

"Oh, that could be arranged. There is a great superstition as to the importance of the identical father and the identical mother taking care of their own children. Many mothers are, of all women, the most incompetent for bringing up their offspring. The great thing is that one woman should mother the children; but whether this woman should be the natural mother or not, is a matter on which there is more dogmatism than the facts justify."

"What a reckless little rebel you are! I think you will find that there is a great deal more in the old conventions of matrimony than you are inclined to believe."

"But is there to be no change, no improvement? Are you in the name of the old conventions to impose an absolute veto upon every suggestion to make married life more ideal than the dismal and often tragic thing which it is at present?"

"By no means. Do everything you can to elevate the ideal of true marriage; inculcate as you do the importance of greater intimacy between the sexes and the improved education of women; but I think you will do wisely not to prejudice these great causes by striking at the lifelong marriage especially for the sake of women."

"Why for the sake of women?"

"Simply because the interdict on the dissolution of marriage which is imposed by religion and by society is the great compensation to the woman for many disadvantages which are imposed upon her by ordinary marriage. It is the barrier imposed on the man to prevent him getting rid of his wife as soon as the attraction of youth has passed. On your principle there would be danger of filling the world with discarded women of forty and upwards, who would be sent adrift in order to make room for younger and more attractive partners."

"No doubt that would be a danger, but, on the other hand, do you think it is better that a couple should continue to live together when they have ceased to love merely because they are compelled by law or social interdict?"

"I think you forget the educational influence of law. Granted that life-long union is the highest form, does society not do well to enforce its importance by making those who depart from it more or less infamous? The gist of your idea, so far as I understand it, is that it should no longer be disreputable, but quite natural and customary for ill mated couples to separate.

How oft the sight of means to do ill deeds
Makes ill deeds done!

The door you would open towards divorce would lead many couples to avail themselves of it who, on the whole, manage to get on very well at present. Do you not seem to ignore the importance of permanence in all human relations in your patronage of the nomadic principle against which Mr. Carlyle inveighed so bitterly?"

"Yes, and Mr. Carlyle was logical. In his passion for permanency he became the eulogist of slavery, with which no doubt the subjection of women under the present law is thoroughly consistent. Both are alike relics of barbarism. The wife is at present regarded as much the property of her husband as in the days when he captured her by main force, and carried her off to his cave in the hills."

"But you forget that marriage, after all, is a voluntary contract."

"A voluntary contract indeed! The essence of which is sedulously concealed from the woman, whose whole training, educational and social, is directed to keeping her in absolute ignorance of the dominant factors in the contract which she is supposed to enter into with intelligence. Marriage is the only contract which is irrevocable; and yet this contract of all others in that which one party is allowed to enter into without any antecedent knowledge of the conditions to which she has to submit. It is also entered into at a time when the mind is least capable of forming a mature and unbiassed opinion; for when young people are in love the derangement of the understanding often corresponds to the intensity of their emotion. Women are educated to regard emotion as the chief end in life. The one faculty which of all other least needs cultivation is cultivated to excess, with such results as we see."

"Well, you may be able to do what you please with childless marriages; but when there are children your schemes will go to pieces."

"I think that a woman ought to have absolute right to decide whether she will have any children or not, and how many children she will have. That is a matter which concern her. But, after all, it is all a question of degree. The difficulty about the children is not held to be sufficient to refuse divorce; and the only question is whether or not you are in favour of extending the present divorce law. I presume you are entirely in favour of making unfaithfulness on the part of the man as good a reason for divorce on the plea of the woman as *vice versa*."

"Certainly."

"Then the interest of the children is not held to be so paramount as to refuse to an injured wife or an injured husband the right of severing themselves from the partner who has been unfaithful to his or her marriage vows. Why should you regard it as absolutely fatal to the dissolution of marriage for any other reason?"

"I admit the cogency of your argument; but divorce in any case is a choice of evils, and that you are compelled to admit it in some flagrant cases is no reason why you should have divorce made easy, a marriage dissoluble by consent. The responsibility of bringing fresh beings into the world is so enormous that it should not be undertaken by any persons except those who are willing to link themselves together in life-long union. The child should always have its father and its mother; whereas you sacrifice the child's claim to parentage far too easily."

"I think most of your generalizations are based upon data which are misleading, inasmuch as you can never infer justly what will happen when a new social relation has been legalized, from the occurrences which took place when the relation was placed under a ban."

After the conclusion of a long talk, Mrs. Caird summed up her ideas as follows, which for the present may be regarded as her last word on the subject:—

In my opinion society commits a crime every time it celebrates a marriage. Through obedience to its conventions, the pair are now entering upon their union without having had an opportunity of judging whether they are really suited for such an indissoluble companionship. They have to meet under conditions which make almost impossible a real knowledge of character, and the love upon which a marriage ought to rest; that which grows not only from the mysterious attraction of one personality for another, but from an indestructible and far-reaching sympathy. Instead of a chance of founding their marriage upon such sentiments, they are married blindfold into the "sacred union" and then left mercilessly to their fate. Well for them if they know how to rise above the spirit of the institution which binds them! If either or both fail in this suffering—often agonizing suffering, is the result. But they must hold their tongues and "smile finely" (to use a friend's delightful expression). Society must not be ruffled and made disorderly by their misery. She safely commits her crime, and secures herself from the inevitable punishment by throwing it all on the shoulders of those whom she has so cruelly wronged. With masterly treachery, she takes care to enlist the will and conscience of her victims for her own side, to impress upon them that their honour is concerned in the success of the crime and that it is their duty to hold eternally to the contract into which they have been tricked.

But I do not fail to see that "free marriage" is not possible until the proposed contracts can be free in *fact* as well as in *name*; that is, until women are no longer necessarily dependent on men for their daily bread. To make contracts free at the present moment would be practically to allow the man to dictate his own terms. But because my proposal is not immediately practicable it does not follow that it will always be so. What is immediately practicable is obviously not an important step in advance, I may add that the contracts I propose (besides having certain limitations to prevent frivolous reasons for divorce) ought at any rate at the first introduction to be enforced by the State and by public opinion as stringently as possible.

THE COLLISION IN THE ATLANTIC.

FURTHER particulars have been received of the collision between the two Danish steamers, the Geiser and the Thingvalla, off the North American coast.

At the time of the collision the steamer Geiser, of the Thingvalla Line, with 136 men, women and children on board, was speeding on her way from New York to Europe. It was 4 o'clock on Tuesday morning, in the foggy atmosphere off the coast of Newfoundland, and the passengers were asleep. Most of the officers were in their berths, all was well on board, and none thought of impending danger.

The Thingvalla, of the same line, bound for New York, suddenly appears and the two crash together. The Geiser is cut in half, the other steamer recoils, trembling, with her hull partly crushed in. For five minutes the sea is covered with wreck and struggling forms, then there is but one ship afloat, and 105 human beings have sunk for ever beneath the ocean. Some persons still swim, 31 in all, and they are picked up by the boats of the floating, but almost helpless, vessel, which flies a signal of distress. Another ocean voyager, the Wieland, of the Hamburg Line, sees her, and takes off the rescued passengers and those of the injured vessel, which then starts feebly for Halifax, while the Wieland continues her voyage to New York. This, in brief, is the story of one of the most terrible of sea disasters.

The collision took place at a point 30 miles to the south of Sable Island and 200 miles out from Halifax. The Thingvalla was bound from Copenhagen to New York, and had on board 455 passengers and a full crew. The Geiser left New York on Saturday week for Copenhagen, with 86 passengers and a crew of 50. Those who were saved of these include only 14 of the former and 17 of the latter. The first officer, who was in charge of the vessel at the time, is among the lost.

From the stories of the survivors it is learnt that rain had fallen all Monday night. When dawn was breaking on Tuesday morning the sky was still covered over with black clouds, while the sea was not unusually high. The captains of both vessels were asleep. The two first officers were in charge, and their reports cannot be obtained, for one is at the bottom of the sea, and the other is taking his shattered craft into Halifax.

The best accounts that can be obtained agree, however, that the Thingvalla, without a moment's warning crashed into the Geiser, striking her on the starboard side amidships. The life raft was caught by the masts and dragged beneath the waves, and was thus rendered useless. The total number of victims is 105, including 4 officers, 29 seamen, 7 second-cabin passengers and 65 steerage passengers. Only one woman, Mrs. Hilda Lynd, of Cincinnati, was saved, though both of her children were lost. Fortunately the Thingvalla, although her bow was stove in, was able to render assistance, but the time was too brief to allow of the rescue of all the unfortunates.

Her officers, after all the struggling creatures who were in sight had been picked up, and the condition of their own boat had been ascertained, ran up signals of distress, for they found that it would be hazardous, with their original load of 455 passengers and with 31 persons from the Geiser, to make for port. For many weary hours they watched, but finally were sighted by the Wieland. The work of removing the passengers then began, and some hours were necessary to accomplish the task, as not only had the rescued people from the Geiser to be taken off, but, by the desire of the captain of the Thingvalla, the passengers of that vessel had also to be conveyed to New York. His ship's disabled condition, he said, made it dangerous for him to attempt to reach port with them. The Wieland had 118 cabin and 455 steerage passengers of her own, bound for New York from Hamburg, but Captain Albers, without a moment's hesitation, agreed to receive from the Thingvalla her 455 passengers, as well as 14 passengers and 17 sailors of the Geiser, bringing the Wieland's passenger list up to 1,054.

Many of the victims on board the Geiser were excursionists from Minneapolis, Minnesota. It was the third party which had started from Minneapolis this season by the Thingvalla line.

The officers and sailors who escaped attribute the collision to the heavy fog. Captain C. Muller, of the Geiser, has told the following story of the collision:—

When Monday morning dawned, he said, the Geiser was off the dreaded Bank. It was not foggy, but misty rain prevailed for the greater part of the time. So pleasant was the weather that at 10 o'clock on Monday night Captain Muller left the bridge in charge of the chief officer, Mr. Brown, and decided to take a few hours' rest. He reclined on a sofa in the chart-room, directly under the bridge. He gave the officers strict orders to call him should it become foggy, and to report to him at midnight what progress the steamer was making. At 3 o'clock the chief officer reported that the weather was "sightable," with occasional rain. Captain Muller, after telling the chief officer that he would take the soundings, at 4 o'clock that morning, undressed himself, having decided to take two hours' sleep.

He had not yet closed his eyes, but was tossing about on his cot, thinking that it would soon be time to take the soundings, when the door of the chart-room was suddenly thrown open. "Come on deck!" wildly shouted the chief officer, "we are going to have a collision." As quick as a flash Captain Muller sprang on to the bridge, clad in his night clothes, and assumed the command. He came too late; no human effort could now prevent the disaster. The sharp bows of the Thingvalla were about to strike the Geiser directly amidships, opposite the main rigging. The coolness and bravery exhibited by Captain Muller after the collision, received the commendation of the few survivors. He stood by his vessel until the very last. Just as the stern of his vessel sank down and disappeared a wave swept over the bridge, carrying the captain with it. He was hurled down and nearly drowned by the suction of the vessel.

When he came to the surface a terrible sight met his gaze. The rafts and boats were floating about, while men, women, and children were vainly endeavouring to reach them. He swam about for some minutes and succeeded in getting hold of an oar. With its aid he swam for the Thingvalla. He was floating for half an hour before he was rescued. When he reached the Thingvalla men and women were swarming on her decks, rendering assistance to the rescued people as they were picked up. The chief officer, Mr. Brown, lost his life in trying to save the passengers. He jumped from the bridge to the deck and began to distribute life-preservers, but perished in the attempt for in five minutes the vessel sank.

Captain L. Albers, of the Wieland, says:—

"At 10 o'clock on the morning of August 14 we passed some wreckage floating in the sea, and suspected that an accident had happened somewhere near us. A little later we sailed through a sea of oil, and sighted a broken boat of the Geiser. About 11-30 we sighted a steamer to the northward eight miles away. Seeing that she had a flag of distress up, I ran down to her. She proved to be the Thingvalla Captain Laub of that vessel came to us in a small boat, and begged us to take off his passengers and those whom he had saved from the Geiser. He said his own vessel was so badly injured that he expected her to sink at any moment. His forward compartment had been completely carried away from half-way from the deck to below the water-line. We sent out three of our boats and the Thingvalla lowered two of hers, and in five hours we had transferred the saved passengers and crew of the Geiser and also 455 passengers of the Thingvalla. The sea was very rough at the time, and the work of transferring the passengers was very difficult. The immense hole in the Thingvalla's bow was then patched up, and she started for Halifax."

A GREAT BOND ROBBERY.

THE police have at last succeeded in recovering the whole of the £10,000 in bonds which were stolen in the City on the 28th of October, and in capturing a man who has confessed the theft. The mysterious manner in which the robbery was effected in broad daylight excited at the time much speculation as to the veracity of the statement made by the lad from whom the bonds were stolen. This youth, James Watson, employed by Messrs. Wilson and Sons, stock and share dealers of Cornhill, was entrusted with a black bag containing Uruguay and Ohio and Mississippi Bonds, valued at £10,800, and when leaving the premises of Messrs. George Cawston and Co., stock-jobbers, in Hatton-court, Threadneedle-street, about noon, he was, he said, attacked by a man about forty years of age, on the stairs, who stole the bag and attempted to cut his throat. The detectives traced the stolen bonds to a money-changer's in the Strand, but there their clue ended. A reward of £1,000 was offered for the recovery of the bonds by Messrs. M. Abrahams, Sons and Co., solicitors to Messrs. Wilson and Sons.

A month ago the secretary of the Ohio and Mississippi Railway Company cabled to Messrs. Abrahams the fact that some of the bonds had been presented for transfer. The bonds had been offered by a first-class New York broker, who stated that he had received them from a gentlemen who had a "desk" in his office. This gentleman, on being questioned, said he had them from one "F. M. R. Casey, care of M'George. Winchester House, Old Broad-street, London." Following up the clues Detective-sergeant Taylor, of the City police, set watch upon Winchester. House during the remainder of Saturday, but without the desired result. Mean while, Messrs. Abrahams, Sons, and Co. had telegraphed for further particulars, and for an injunction to restrain dealing in the bonds. Early on Monday morning Sergeant Taylor, with his subordinates, resumed the watch at Winchester House just at the time when the postman was delivering a letter to Casey bearing the stamp of the above-mentioned firm of brokers in America. Subsequently Casey left Mr. M. George's office, where he was in the habit of receiving his letters. Detective-sergeant Taylor and Detective Roper followed him until twelve o'clock. They were in the vicinity of Moorgate-street, when Taylor stopped him and asked for particulars of the Ohio and Mississippi Bonds. Casey denied any knowledge of these or any other stock. Taylor requested Casey to accompany him and Detective Roper to Messrs. Michael Abrahams' offices in Old Jewry, where Mr. H. G. Abrahams required from Casey an explanation as to how the stolen bonds had come into his possession. He stoutly denied any knowledge of the bonds or of the robbery. Mr. H. G. Abrahams ordered Detective-sergeant Taylor to put the man under arrest.

Accused turned deadly pale, and voluntarily made a full confession, which was taken down in writing. It was to the following effect:—"I, and I alone, was the perpetrator of the robbery." He went on to state that he had some time since been speculating with John Abbott, an outside broker, and that through these speculations he had been ruined. "I was," he continued, "driven to starvation, became a desperate man. I happened to be in Hatton-court on the morning of the 28th October last, when I saw a boy with a black bag bontaining the bonds coming down the steps of Mr. Cawston's office. I snatched from him and bolted. I immediately tried to change the coupons to cash at a money-changer's in the Strand, and then returned to my lodgings in Westmoreland-street, Bayswater. The bonds remained there until April last, when I gave the Ohio and Mississippi Bonds to a New York broker as cover for transctions I was to have with him. The Uruguay Bonds (£7,000) remain at the present time in my drawer. I throw the black bag into the Thames from the Embankment, as Messrs. Wilson's name was upon it. "Casey denied that he attempted to take the boy's life. He was thereupon taken to the Bishopsgate police-station, and charged with robbery with violence. The prisoners, who spoke with a strong American accent, said he was forty-eight years of age and that he was an Englishman born in Essex. He did not make any reply when the charge was read over to him. Detective-sergeant Taylor then went to Casey's lodgings, and there found the Uruguay bonds intact. Casey was brought before the preciding magistrate at the Guildhall police-court on Tuesday. At a late hour on Monday evening, Messrs. Michael Abrahams, Sons, and Co. received from their New York agents a message stating that all the remaining bonds had been handed over to them on behalf of Messrs. Wilson and Sons. Thus the whole of the stolen property, including coupons, has been recovered

Certain particulars, with regard to the career of Casey, are made known, having, it appears, been communicated by the prisoner himself to Mr. M'George, whose address, at Winchester House he made use of. Mr. M'George said he made Casey's acquaintance three years and a half ago, when, according to his own statement, he was speculating in stocks and shares with Mr. John Abbott, of Palmerston buildings. During the acquaintanceship thus made, Casey informed Mr. M'George that he came from a Somerset family and had carried on business in Manchester, whence he proceeded to the United States. There he made he declared, a large fortune, which he lost in a fire which consumed his premises in New York. He then left by sea for the South and suffered shipwreck, being thrown in an almost lifeless condition upon an unknown shore, where "he barely escaped with his life from savages." He was ultimately taken care of by some friendly "blacks" and taken off by a passing ship. By and by he returned to New York where he succeeded in again building up a business, but again failed. He returned to England in 1883. Mr. M'George says he often met Casey in the streets in a penniless condition, and had several times given him coffee and sometimes money.

THE SULTAN'S HOUSEKEEPING.

THERE are over six thousand persons, says the *New York Herald*, fed three times a day at Dolma-Bagtche Palace while the Sultan is there.

That there is good executive ability in the management of this enormous household is clear, for there is scarcely ever a jar or a hitch, even under the impulse of the most untimely demands. Every different department is under the control of a person who is directly responsible for that, and he has a corps of servants and slaves under his orders who obey him only, and he is subject to the Treasurer of the Household. Women have no voice whatever in the management of anything in any department. Their sole occupation is to wait upon their respective mistresses or to serve the Sultan in some specified capacity, and the labour is so sub-divided that no one about the whole palace works very hard except the Lord High Chamberlain and Treasurer of the Household.

The Chamberlain is mostly occupied in ministering to the wants and caprices of the Sultan, and is in almost constant attendance upon him, so the Treasurer of the Household has the burden of the house-keeping on his burly shoulders. He has an organized force of buyers, who are each charged with the purchase of supplies for their individual departments, each having his helpers, servants, and slaves.

One man is charged with the duty of supplying all the fish, and as to furnish fish for certainly six thousand persons is no light undertaking in a place where there are no great markets, as there are in all other large cities, he has to have about twenty men to secure the various small markets and buy of the fishermen, and each of these men has two others to carry the fish they buy. It requires about ten tons of fish a week.

There are nearly eighteen thousand pounds of bread eaten daily, for the Turks are large bread-eaters, and this is all baked in the enormous ovens situated at some distance from the palace. The kitchens are detached from all the palaces and kiosks. It requires a large force of bakers to make the bread, and another to bring it to the palace, and another force of buyers who purchase the flour and fuel. The bringing of most of the wood and charcoal is done by the unhappy camels, who carry it on their backs. The rest comes in large caiques. The Turkish bread is baked in large loaves, and his light, moist, and sweet, delicious bread in every way, particularly that which is made of rye.

The food for the Sultan is cooked by one man and his aids, and none others touch it. It is cooked in silver vessels, and when done each kettle is sealed by a slip of paper and a stamp, and this is broken in the presence of the Sultan by the High Chamberlain, who takes one spoonful of each separate kettle before the Sultan tastes it. This is to prevent the Sultan's being poisoned. The food is almost always served up to the Sultan in the same vessels in which it was cooked, and these are often of gold, but when of baser metal the kettle is set into a rich golden bell-shaped holder, the handle of which is held by a slave while the Sultan eats. Each kettle is a course, and is served with bread and a kind of pancake, which is held on a golden tray by another slave.

It requires just twice as many slaves as there are courses to serve a dinner to him. He usually sits on a divan near a window, which looks out over the Bosphorus, and take his ease and comfort in a loose *pemboser* and *gegelik* with his sleeves turned up. After he has eaten all he wants, the Sultan takes his coffee and his chibouk and lies back in an ecstasy of enjoyment and quiet reverie, which he calls taking his *if*. Woe be to the one who comes to disturb it!

The Sultan never uses a plate. He takes all his food direct from the little kettles, and never uses a table and rarely a knife or fork. A spoon, his bread or pancake or fingers are far handier. The whole household is at liberty to take meals where it suits him or her best, and thus every one is served with a small tray, with a spoon, a great chunk of bread, and the higher ones only get the pancakes.

They do not grow rice, and, in consequence, buy nearly one ton of rice per day for the inevitable pilaff, six hundred pounds of sugar, as much coffee, to say nothing of the other groceries, fruit, vegetables, and meat. Rice and mutton and bread form the greater part of the food for the majority of Turks; yet, aside from these, they get away with one ton of beef and half a ton of veal per day, to say nothing of the other viands and fish, sweetmeats, confectionery, nuts, and dried and fresh fruits.

The waste and extravagance in the kitchen are enormous, and enough is thrown away every day to maintain a hundred families. Much of this is gathered up by beggars, and the dogs eat the rest.

All the water for the Sultan's use and the drinking water for all the household is brought in barrels from Beicos and Kanli Karak, two pretty streams at different places in the Bosphorus, towards the Black Sea. Another one of the Lord High Chamberlain's functions is to see that a horse is kept in constant readiness, and also a carriage night and day, in case the Padishah should want to change his residence, as he often does, at a moment's notice. The present Sultan prefers Yildiz Kiosk. The largest palace is that of Beschiktasch.

The estimate is that it costs per year to supply the food for the Sultan's household, horses and animals, aside from the value of the product of the vast farms, very nearly if not quite ... ... Dols. 5,000,000

Cost of furniture, bedding, and carpets	3,000,000
Drugs, women's clothes, jewels, cosmetics	10,000,000
Caprices of all kinds	15,000,000
Sultan's clothes and bedding	2,000,000
Sundries, presents, and servants' wages	4,000,000
Plate, gold and silver dishes	2,500,000
Carriages, 474 of them	474,000
Total... Dols.	41,474,000

That is a snug little sum, but it is an under rather than an over-estimate, as every one who has lived long in Turkey and had means of judging and seeing the reckless extravagance of the Royal household will concede. Every little while one of the Sultanas will tire of her furniture and order her rooms to be refurnished instantly, and this will cause the others to insist upon having theirs done so too, and all these changes are very costly, and come under the head of household expenses. So that large as the sum appears it is still not large enough.

THE PERILS OF SMOKING.

THE letter of "Medicus" to the *Times* pointing out that smoking, and especially smoking cigarettes, tends to diseases of the throat and larynx, has evoked considerable correspondence in the *Times* and elsewhere:—

F. R. C. S. writes:—

With every word in the letter of "Medicus" to the *Times* I fully agree. I have had a very considerable experience in diseases of the throat and larynx; and in nine cases out of ten which have come under my observation the disease has been directly traceable to the pernicious habit of smoking. Cigarette-smoking is excessively injurious, since, in addition to swallowing the irritant poison with which the tobacco is usually mixed, minute particles of burnt paper find their way into the gullet, and are certain sooner or later to work serious harm. The pipe is almost as dangerous as the cigar and the cigarette. The constant pressure of a hard foreign substance upon the tongue is exceedingly likely to produce malignant disease. And, of course, smoking of any kind is simply ruin to the teeth and digestion.

To him replies "Smoke":—

"F.R.C.S." is delightfully dogmatic. He says, "*Of course*, smoking of any kind is simply ruin to the teeth and digestion." Indeed? I have smoked pipes, cigars, and cigarettes without stint ever since I was eighteen. I am now thirty-four. I have never lost a tooth; I have never had toothache in my life. As to my digestion, it is—like my teeth—as sound as a drum. And, alas! I am smoking a cigarette at this moment. So much for the self-sufficient "of course" of "F.R.C.S." On the general question I say nothing, except that when a man lays down the law in the pontifical fashion adopted by "F.R.C.S.," the other equally bold assertions in his letter run considerable risk of ending in smoke.

"A Country Gentleman" puts in the following confident apology for tobacco:—

That tobacco, wisely smoked, is injurious to no man, I am prepared to maintain against all comers; and I am in my own person a tolerably conclusive bit of evidence in favour of my assertion. It was my happy fortune to be born on that glorious Sunday which saw the Battle of Waterloo; I am therefore turned seventy-three. I cannot truthfully say that I have smoked ever since I escaped from my teens—would I were in them again!—because in my young days smoking at an early age was considered a deadly sin. But I have smoked industriously for the last fifty years; and so long as I smoked wisely I felt the happier and the better for it. The cigarette is a modern invention, and I began my career with the pipe of poverty. So far all went well. But when the cigarette came into fashion I discarded my pipe in favour of the little papered rolls, so portable and seductive. There, Sir, was my grievous error. In the course of twelve months I began to be plagued by all manner of troublesome symptoms. My hand became unsteady, my appetite fell off, I was prostrated by frequent nervous headaches of extraordinary violence and duration, and my eyesight was not so good as it used to be. At this time I was in the habit of smoking a dozen cigarettes every day. I somehow began to suspect that the innocent-looking *yapelitos* were at the root of the mischief. With a heroic effort I discarded them, and, fortune coming in my way just then with a few hundreds a year from a maiden aunt who had just joined the majority, I was able to afford the unwonted luxury of what you rightly term "the lordly Partaga" (la Classe). In a few months I was as well as I had ever been in my pre-cigarette days. I still smoke my five cigars a day, and I can read the small print of the *St. James's Gazette* without glasses. But no more cigarettes for your obedient servant.

On the other hand "a Pipe Smoker" has his doubts about both pipe and cigarette. He writes:—

My experience leads me to fear that it is not the smoking of Egyptian or Turkish cigarettes alone which is dangerous to the throat as your correspondent "Medicus" seems to believe. I never smoke ready-made cigarette, and only once a day indulge in one or two made by myself, but I get through a good many pipes in the course of the day, and I fear that their number will have to be diminished for the sake of my throat. At present there is no disease, but after any unusual amount of smoking I have an irritation in the throat which makes me cough badly if I talk much, and especially if I attempt to speak in public. Even a moderate quantity of strong tobacco will produce these symptoms, and lately I have been reluctantly obliged to use the mildest tobacco that is not "hot" which I can procure. Apart from its effect on my throat, smoking suits me well, and it is such a comfort and such a help to me in my work that I am disposed to say with Charles Lamb

"For thy sake, tobacco, I
"Would do anything but die."

It is curious, perhaps, but it is nevertheless a fact that the dark shag tobacco, commonly declared to be the most wholesome of all sorts, causes the greatest irritation in my throat. Perhaps "Medicus" can explain this.

The only defenders of the cigarette are correspondents who candidly avow a commercial interest in the matter. One firm of dealers suggest that the poison reported to exist in the cigarette is existent in a class of tobacco used abroad, called "Solook;" it is grown on the soil on which opium is cultivated, and probably takes up its attributes. Another correspondent, writing from the same standpoint, says:—

As the representative in this country and also as partner in one of the largest manufactories in Cairo of Egyptian cigarettes, I naturally feel my commercial interests, as well as my commercial honours attacked by the severe and sweeping strictures passed by your correspondent upon Egyptian cigarettes. If this were merely a matter of mercantile rivalry I should feel but little justification in intruding on your space, but "Medicus" assumes to pass judgment with all the solemnity and weight of a professional expert, while it is impossible to doubt that his anonymous attack simply conceals the bitterness of a commercial competitor. The general character of the writer's condemnation renders it impossible to offer a specific denial to his statements; but allow me on my side to assure you that in none of the cigarettes exported from Egypt by the best makers is there any poisonous or deleterious infusion, and I assert this with all the emphasis I can impart to a mere statement. If "Medicus" is so sure both of his facts and his *bona fides*, let him declare himself, and at the same time state plainly what poisonous ingredients they are that he refers to, and in what brands of cigarettes he has discovered them. I challenge him to do this, and I undertake on my part to throw aside my *nom de plume* and to maintain to the full the statement I desire here to make, that no good Egyptain cigarettes are in any way contaminated with poisonous foreign matter, or are composed of anything other than the blending of selected tobaccos of the purest description.

PIRACY, LOVE, AND BURIED TREASURE.

A ROMANTIC story of flight, piracy, rejected love, buried treasure, and treachery is told in the columns of the *Japan Weekly Mail*:—

In 1823, during a revolution in Peru, a number of wealthy residents of Lima chartered a brig of 300 tons, to carry to Spain their property in money and jewellery, and a large quantity of monastic plate. It is said that there were doubloons to the value of two millions sterling, and a vast sum in plate. But after the treasure was on board, and when its owners came down to the beach, they found the vessel gone. An Englishman, a lieutenant in the Peruvian Navy, hearing of the intended flight, had gone on board with a chosen band, and had cut out the brig within hail of a Peruvian man-of-war. He steered right across the Pacific, and in course of time reached the Mariane Islands, in the Pacific Ocean, where the treasure was buried. A course was then made for Honolulu. But before reaching this port quarrels broke out among the pirates, and the lieutenant, with his two officers and a cabin boy, having set fire to the vessel, got into a boat and left the crew. One of the officers was murdered and thrown overboard before the boat reached Honolulu. There the party represented themselves as the survivors of a shipping disaster. The lieutenant, before leaving Lima, had been in love with a lady, the wife of a Peruvian officer who was slain in the revolution, and before taking any further steps with regard to the treasure, decided to send for her. The cabin boy was despatched as his emissary to Lima, but on his arrival there he was seized and imprisoned, and the lady refused to have anything further to do with a man whom she styled a detestable pirate.

The lieutenant and his sole remaining companion thereupon chartered a small fore and aft schooner, the Swallow, commanded by one Captain Thompson, and proceeded to the Mariannes for his treasure. Thompson tried hard to get a charter for a specified port or ports, but the lieutenant insisted on a broad charter, including any or all the Mariannes. One evening when they were in sight of the islands, the lieutenant, who was sitting on the lee-rail chatting with his companion, was, it is conjectured, tipped overboard by the latter and disappeared. The usual alarm was raised, but the lieutenant's body was never recovered. Thompson, from sundry scraps of conversation which he had overheard, having suspected the object of the voyage, overhauled the dead lieutenant's effects, and among them found a chart of the island on which the treasure was hidden, but with the name omitted. Soon afterwards he sighted another brig, with the master of which he was acquainted, and they arranged to search for the treasure and divide it beween them, giving the surviving pirate a share on condition that he consented to point out the spot, but with a threat if he did not do so he would forthwith be handed over to the Spanish authorities. At a concerted moment the pirate was seized by both captains, and the conditions named. He nodded. They asked him if he would indicate the situation of the treasure. He nodded. They asked if this was the island, pointing to the nearest of the group. He again nodded, They invited him to step into a boat which had been lowered and guide them to the treasure. He nodded once more. Afterwards he went below and filled his pockets with lead and iron. Then, going down the ladder, he pushed off the boat with one foot from the side of the schooner, and dropped feet first into the sea. Until within two years ago there was alive one of the boat's crew, who, snatching at the suicide's hair, to save him, as he sank, plucked from his head a handful of hair, but could not raise the heavily-weighted body. This put an end to the treasure hunting. The chart went on into the possession of the Spanish authorities.

The British schooner Nereid recently sailed from Japan as far as Guam, a small island belonging to the Marianne group, in search of the buried treasure. But while the captain, who intended to sail for Yap, Carolines, was on shore, it was carried off either by his mate or two Japanese, or by all three, these being the only persons on board. As no trace of the vessel has been found, there is still some mystery about the affair. Meanwhile the captain of the Nereid, who holds or believes he holds the clue of the secret of all this wealth, has lost everything. Whatever may be thought of the extraordinary story, what is beyond any question, says the *Japan Mail*, is that an English shipmaster in Yokohama, at the commencement of the present year, sent out in a schooner, built under his own supervision and belonging to himself, to search for the treasure supposed to be hidden more than sixty years ago among the coral islands of the North Pacific, and that his crew ran away with his vessel and have not since been heard of. Possibly they too, having some suspicion of the object of the voyage, determined to recover the treasure on their own account. The story above summarized was taken down from the mouth of the captain himself.

AN INTERESTING VISIT.

(Extract from an article in "The Fountain.")

THE other day I had the privilege of spending an hour in the consulting rooms of a medical electrician who bids fair to make for himself a great reputation. Although Mr. B. Copson Garrat does not place himself so prominently before the public as do some others in his profession, I have good reason to believe that he is doing a work which is scarcely less extensive, and is certainly not less effective than theirs. Mr Garrat is a man who likes to work in a quiet way. I think however, that such a man ought to be better known He is an enthusiast, albeit, a very sober one. He will talk to you by the hour about medical electricity, in which he is, of course, thoroughly well up, and he never tires of showing you its wondrous effects. If you ask him why he goes into raptures over this remarkable therapeutic agents, he will give you two very good reasons; the first is that it gave him new life, and the second is that it has given new life to others. Mr. Garrat knows, and therefore speaks.

After giving me a little galvanism, which had no more serious effect than to make my hands feel a little sleepy, Mr. Garrat converted the current into what is termed constant instead of induced, and assured me there was just as much electricity passing through my body as would be sufficient in the other form to kill me. As an illustration of the penetrative power of magnetism, I may mention that I held in front of me a mariner's compass, and Mr. Garrat held behind me one of his magnetic bends, and in a moment the magnetic current passed through my clothing—and I had a very heavy overcoat on—and through my body, and laid hold of the hand of the compass. This is the mighty force which Mr. Garrat infuse into, and sends right through the system of his patients producing the most astonishing and beneficial results.

Some of the most startling scientific discoveries of the present age are based upon magnetic principles, and the efficacy of magnetism as a healer promises to lead to results quite as startling as any that have attended it in other directions. Here let me repeat that magnetism is not galvanism. The latter, as I understand, often fails, and even when it succeeds it is open to the objection that its effect is too powerful. In skilful hands it has been, and may be, used with success; but it is, nevertheless, in its application, often of a painful irritating character, because it must come into direct contact with the body, requiring the nerves as a conducting medium. Mr. Garrat does not claim to have made any new discovery, but he has found out how to use electricity in the most efficient and practical way.

Magnetism does not supersede ordinary medicines, but can be used in conjunction with them without at all effecting or being effected by their action. Its chief value is that it will reach cases which ordinary medicines will not touch. Take paralysis. The doctor does not, cannot, cure paralysis, but Mr. Garratt can point you to people who were bedridden and, to all appearance, bedridden for life, but who, thanks to magnetism, have left their couch, and are now engaged in theactive work of life. Long standing cases of epilepsy and spinal irritation have also been cured. I take these cases from a pamphlet of Mr. Garratt's, where full names and addresses are given, and which will be sent post free to any person who will write to his consulting rooms, 1-16, Finsbury square, London, E. C. Ordinary medicines are of little avail in chronic cases of long standing; but these are just the cases that Mr. Garrat likes to undertake. Another class of sufferers who derive incalculable benefit from magnetism are people of overworked brain. In such cases the physician usually prescribes complete rest and a total change of air, combining of little use. Cannot perhaps think he can give the overworked man all the benefit that he would derive from rest and change, and give it to him in a very much quicker, simpler, and cheaper way. It will be seen, therefore, that Mr. Garr

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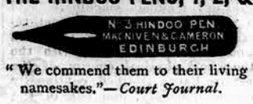

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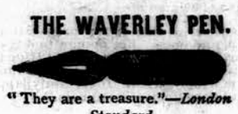
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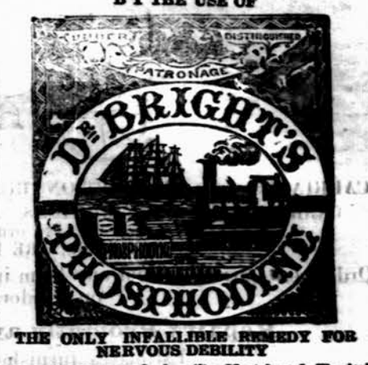

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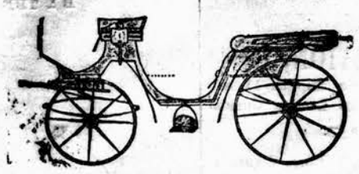

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"Mr. F. H. BOWDEN, of 43, King William-Street, London-Bridge, E.C. and 29, Lansdowne-road "Croydon, Surrey, has forwarded to us samples of a series of Indian remedies which he is desirous of "introducing fully to the British public, and which have already attained a marked measure of success "wherever they have been used. Well-known in India, and in no sense quack or secret remedies, we "regard the preparations under notice as destined to receive worthily a large amount of patronage for the "cure of simple ailments in this and other European countries. The first of these preparations is known as

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The Court Circular of the 15th May 1886 says:—"In the Madras Court of the Colonial and Indian "Exhibition at South Kensington, there are, of course, many extremely beautiful exhibits, especially the "old native jewellery from Madura; but the particular exhibit to which we wish to draw attention this "week is one of exceptional utility rather than beauty, and the only one of the kind to be found in the "building. For fear that any one should imagine that the remedies to which we are about to refer are "so-called patent medicines, we may at once state they are not. As Dr. WILSON has stated, "they are "well known in India, and are in no sense quack or secret remedies." Briefly Henry's Indian remedies "have been proved to be so marvellous in their effects that we are fearful, if we enumerate the many "complaints for which they will be found to be efficacious, our encomiums may sound too strong. "Thilum," the best known of the several remedies, is an external application, and it may be said to be a "specific, and a fragrant one too, for all remedies where there is inflamation, and there is proof positive "in the shape of well-known medical and other written testimony (which we have seen), that it cures "Neuralgia, Sciatica, Nervous Headache, Hemicrania, Brow-Ache, Cramps, Burns, pains in the Joints "and Back, Rheumatism, Lumbago, Gout, Bronchitis, Coughs, Colds and Chilblains, besides other "maladies far too numerous to detail. For its virtue in the first and last named complaints (Neuralgia "and Chilblains) we can personally vouch. As recently as Wednesday last we recommended it for a bad "case of neuralgia, requesting that the result might be made known to us as soon as possible. On the "evening of the day in question we received the following communication: "I find it has already "sensibly assuaged the pain." We know of one lady, very high up in the social scale, who has found "Thilum" such a specific for rheumatism, and "Hippacea" so beneficial for injured horses, that she has "bought several dozen boxes for distribution, feeling it a duty to recommend these really wonderful "remedies for the relief she herself has received. With regard to "Hippacea," so serviceable for wounds, "to human beings as well as animals, the majority of the cycling world is loud in its p aise; and the "number of testimonials from ladies gratefully acknowledging the benefits derived from "Omum Car"poor," which is essentially a female remedy, but which is invaluable for Indigestion is simply over"whelming. Although the chief depôt for these invaluable presriptions is Madras, a branch establish"ment has now been opened in London by Mr. F. H. Bowden at 43, King William Street, E. C."

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